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COUNTY OF LANARK.

MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL

AND

REPORTS AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

AND

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During the Year from May, 1918, to May, 1919.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *29th July, 1918.*

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a GENERAL MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL, to be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 7th proximo, at Two o'clock p.m.*, for the purpose of considering and disposing of Reports and Minutes of Committees, of which copies will be sent to you before the date of meeting, and for transacting any other competent business.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 9th May, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT,
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW,
(Entrance by 40 Wilson Street),

On WEDNESDAY, 7th AUGUST, 1918,

At Two o'Clock p.m.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 9th May, 1918.

5. Communication from Town Clerk, Lanark, of date 15th May, 1918, intimating appointment of Provost William Lamb as the Burgh Representative on the County Council in room of Bailie MacAuslan.

6. Letter from Mr. John P. Kinghorn, The Anchorage, Rutherglen, accepting office as a member of County Council for Rutherglen Electoral Division.

7. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.

8. Report of County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for quarter ending 30th June, 1918.

9. Reports by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, for quarter ending 30th June, 1918.

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(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 29th April (page 1), 6th (page 3), 9th (page 6), and 27th May (page 7), and 17th June, 1918 (page 10).

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of dates 27th May (page 13) and 17th June, 1918 (page 15).

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Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of date 17th June, 1918 (page 21).

[The above minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees are submitted only for the information of the Council.]

(2) Valuation Committee (Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards), of date 9th May, 1918 (page 23).

(3) Executive Committee, of date 29th May, 1918 (page 25).

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(5) Public Health Committee, of date 29th May, 1918 (page 41).

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(8) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 5th June (page 57) and 3rd July, 1918 (page 59).

(9) Finance Committee, of dates 5th June (page 69) and 3rd July, 1918 (page 85).

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of date 24th April, 1918 (page 81).

Sub-Committee on District Collection Offices, of date 5th June, 1918 (page 83).

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £100 for the construction of sewer from Forth Public Slaughter-house to connect with sewer from Wilsontown Terrace.

(*b*) £615 14s. 1d. to complete Cleland Housing Scheme.

(*c*) £2,511 14s. 10d. to complete Harthill Housing Scheme.

(*d*) £150 for reconstruction of sewer in Uddingston Special Drainage District (additional).

(*e*) £64,062 7s. 2d. to meet extra expenditure for the purpose of Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony.

(10) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 5th June, 1918 (page 99).

(11) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 12th June, 1918 (page 101).

11. Communication from Mrs. Vandeleur, of date 14th June, 1918, inviting this County Council to nominate a representative to the Lanarkshire Committee in charge of the Prisoners of War Relief, the Cameronians, Scottish Rifles.

12. Communication from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee, of date 29th June, 1918, intimating that the District Committee have unanimously agreed to increase his salary of £1,000 by £100 annually until a maximum salary of £1,500 is reached.

13. Communication from the Ministry of Food, of date 15th April. 1918, with reference to an extension of the term of office of members of Food Control Committees.

14. Documents for execution :—

    (1) Memorandum between the Trustees of His Grace the late Duke of Hamilton and the County Council, constituting additional feu-duty on subjects forming Hallside Police Station.

    (2) Conveyance by the County Council in favour of the Caledonian Railway Company of small portions of Slaughter-house, Drainage Works, and Destructor feus at Blantyre, for improvement of the railway.

    (3) Lease between the *inter vivos* Trustees of the late Peter Forrest and the County Council of Farm of Hairmyres.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall there, upon Thursday, the 9th day of May, 1918, being the May Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 9th May, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
John Allan Beattie.
John Campbell.
Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
James Tonner.
John Train.
William Wilson.
William L. Dyer.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Messrs. William Bell, James Cameron, and William Gardner. Apologies for absence.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Notice calling meeting.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *30th April, 1918.*

Sir,

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, *on Thursday, 9th proximo, at 12.15 o'clock p.m.*, for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards, so far as these fall to be then appointed.

Prints of the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council held on 6th March, 1918, and of the Special Meeting held on 3rd April, 1918, are sent herewith.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancies in—

(1) Rutherglen Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. William Macfarlane; and

(2) Lanark Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. James H. Fenton.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

Prints of Minutes of Committees and of Reports, &c., will be sent to you before the date of Meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. John Campbell, countersigned by Mr. Joseph Sullivan: — "That the County Council make a contribution to the Prisoners of War Fund out of the grant known as the Equivalent Grant."

P.S.—A meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business.

Welcome to Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.

Before the ordinary business of the meeting was proceeded with, the members of the Council expressed, through the Chairman, their welcome to Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O., on his return to the Council after his severe accident. Sir Simon thanked the members of the Council for their kindness.

Minutes of meetings of Council.

The minutes of the general meeting of the Council, held on 6th March, 1918, and of the special meeting, held on 3rd April, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Vacancy on Council caused by death of Mr. William Macfarlane.

The meeting having proceeded to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the death of Mr. William Macfarlane, the representative on the Council of the Rutherglen Electoral Division, the Clerk laid before the meeting two Petitions signed by Electors in the Rutherglen Electoral Division, one recommending the appointment of Mr. John P. Kinghorn, The Anchorage, Burnside, Rutherglen, and the other in favour of the appointment of Mr. David J. Black, National Bank Chambers, Cambuslang.

Mr. John P. Kinghorn elected.

Mr. Adam, seconded by Mr. Train, moved that Mr. John P. Kinghorn be appointed to fill the vacancy.

There being no other nomination, the Chairman declared Mr. Kinghorn to have been appointed to represent the Rutherglen Electoral Division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office.

The meeting appointed Mr. Kinghorn to be a member of the following Committees, &c., viz.:—Lower Ward Appeal Court under the Licensing Act; Lower Ward Valuation Committee; Glasgow Court House Commission; Fire Brigades Committee; Explosives Committee for the Glasgow J.P. District; Lower Ward Committee on Appeals against Rates; General Purposes Committee; and the Local Pension Committee under the Old Age Pensions Acts.

The meeting having thereafter proceeded to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the resignation of Mr. James H. Fenton, the representative on the Council of the Lanark Electoral Division, the Clerk submitted (1) communications from (*a*) Douglas Water Branch of the Independent Labour Party, and (*b*) Ponfeigh Branch of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, recommending the appointment of Mr. John Mitchell, 12 Powell Street, Douglas Water; and (2) two Petitions signed by Electors in the Lanark Electoral Division, one recommending the appointment of Bailie Peter MacAuslan, Lanark, and the other in favour of the appointment of Mr. William C. Jack, Robiesland, Lanark. Vacancy on Council caused by resignation of Mr. James H. Fenton.

Mr. Pillans moved that Bailie Peter MacAuslan be appointed to fill the vacancy, which was seconded by Mr. Gavin Hamilton.

Mr. Tonner moved that Mr. John Mitchell be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan.

The meeting having agreed, by a majority, that the vote be taken by way of a show of hands, a vote was taken in this manner, when a majority of the Council voted in favour of the appointment of Bailie MacAuslan. Bailie Peter MacAuslan appointed.

The Chairman accordingly declared Bailie MacAuslan to have been appointed to represent the Lanark Electoral Division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office.

Bailie MacAuslan thereafter entered the meeting, and having intimated his acceptance of office, his name was added to the sederunt. Bailie MacAuslan enters meeting and accepts office.

The meeting appointed Bailie MacAuslan to be a member of the following Committees, &c., viz.:—Upper Ward Licensing and Appeal Courts; Upper Ward Valuation Committee; Committee on Lanark Court Houses and County Buildings; Upper Ward Explosives Committee; Public Health Committee; Upper Ward Committee on Appeals against Rates; Committee on National Insurance Act; Insurance Committee for the County as constituted by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners; and the Local Pensions Committee under the Old Age Pensions Acts. Appointment to Committees.

The meeting having proceeded to fill the vacancies on other Committees, &c., of which Mr. Fenton had been a member, appointed Mr. William Wilson to be a member of the Lanark District Board of Control; Mr. Gavin Hamilton to be a member of the Parliamentary Bills Committee; Mr. William Wilson to be a member of the Fire Brigades Committee; and Mr. Nathaniel D. I. A. Gold to be a member of the Elections Committee.

There was submitted a Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to Capital Works and to the borrowing of the sum necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I to this minute), which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. Report of Consent by Standing Joint-Committee.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the year ending 31st March 1918 (forming Appendix II to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council. Report by Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the Public Analyst upon articles analysed by him during the quarter ending 31st March, 1918 (forming Appendix III to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council. Report of Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts.

The Clerk stated that no samples had been analysed by the District Agricultural Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for the quarter ending 31st March, 1918. No samples analysed by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

Return of expenses of deputations.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a return of the expenses of deputations for the year 1917 (forming Appendix IV to this minute) which had been prepared in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Council at their meetings on 11th May, 1899, and 15th December, 1908, and which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Minutes of committees, &c.

The following minutes of committees and sub-committees, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 25th February, 18th March, and 8th April, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Meat, of dates 25th February and 18th March, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of dates 25th February and 8th April, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 8th April, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar, of date 8th April, 1918.

Joint Committee on Food Control, of date 17th April, 1918.

(The above Minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees were submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(2) Finance Committee, of dates 6th March and 3rd and 24th April, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Commutation of Fees of J.P. Clerk of Upper Ward, of date 3rd April, 1918.

(3) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 6th March, 1918.

(4) Executive Committee, of date 13th March, 1918.

(5) Elections Committee, of dates 3rd and 17th April, 1918.

(6) Weights and Measures Committee, of date 24th April, 1918.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or any other member of the Council and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £245 for construction of sewer at Raploch Street, Larkhall, in connection with Larkhall Special Drainage District (to meet estimated increased cost of works already sanctioned);

(*b*) £100 for construction of a piggery at County Hospital, Motherwell.

Minutes of committees and sub-committees approved of.

The meeting thereafter approved of the minutes of the committees and sub-committees above mentioned.

The meeting thereafter proceeded to appoint and appointed the following committees, &c., viz.:— Appointment of committees, &c.

QUOTA OF STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE.

John Adam.
William Davie.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
William Love.
Alexander Pillans.
Joseph Sullivan.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

William Barr.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
Charles A. Easson.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
William K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollok.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
Captain Watt.
William Wilson.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

In terms of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, this committee were vested with all the powers of the Local Authority, except the power to impose a rate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

John Adam.
William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.
John Train.
Colonel Hope Vere.
Captain Watt.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

The meeting agreed that this committee be vested with all the powers which the County Council can competently delegate to them as a Finance Committee.

VALUATION COMMITTEES.

Upper Ward.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Major Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Hope Vere
William Wilson.

Middle Ward.

Colonel Buchanan.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Gilbert Hamilton.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
George Stalker.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
Wm. B. Thomson.

Lower Ward.

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
John P. Kinghorn.
George H. Macneal.
John Train.

COMMITTEE FOR MANAGING THE COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Major Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart, M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.

COMMITTEE FOR MANAGING COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT HAMILTON.

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
William Bell.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

The following members of the Council were appointed to represent the Council on the Glasgow Court House Commission, viz.:—

GLASGOW COURT HOUSE COMMISSION.

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
John P. Kinghorn.
George H. Macneal.
Gavin A. Shanks.
John Train.

COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY BILLS (ALSO SPECIAL COMMITTEE UNDER UNEMPLOYED WORKMEN ACT).

John Adam.
William Bell.
George Fraser.
Gavin Hamilton.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Hurll.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
George H. Macneal.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

The meeting agreed that this committee be vested with powers to watch over and attend to Bills in Parliament or Provisional Orders, excepting those that the Council may remit to any other committee, and to take such steps thereanent as they may consider necessary, and to oppose or support any measure, local or otherwise, which, in their opinion, affects the interests of the County, and for these purposes to petition Parliament in name of the Council, and to employ agents and counsel and witnesses, and to do otherwise and farther in relation thereto as they may consider proper, and as the Council collectively could do.

COMMITTEE ON FIRE BRIGADES.

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
Gilbert Hamilton.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
James Kelly.
John P. Kinghorn
Robert Lambie.
Walter Lindsay.
Peter MacAuslan.
Alexander Pillans.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.
Colonel Hope Vere.
Captain Watt.
William Wilson.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE TO REPRESENT THE COUNCIL AS LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE EXPLOSIVES ACTS.

(1) *For Lanark Justice of Peace District.*

Wm. K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Peter MacAuslan.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

(2) *For Hamilton Justice of Peace District.*

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
John A. Beattie.
William Bell.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
Charles A. Easson.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
George Stalker.
William B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

(3) *For Airdrie Justice of Peace District.*

W. W. Chapman.
William Gardner.
Gilbert Hamilton.
A. D. Mack.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
Captain Watt.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

(4) *For Glasgow Justice of Peace District.*

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
John P. Kinghorn.
George H. Macneal.

John Train.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Thomas Arnot.
John A. Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
William Davie.
Charles A. Easson.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
Andrew Murdoch.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

James Tonner.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
Gilbert Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
George H. Macneal.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS, &C.

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
John A. Beattie.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
John Train.
Colonel Hope Vere.
Captain Watt.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

The above committee was entrusted with all the powers of the Council with respect to the formation of special lighting and scavenging districts, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, and amending Acts.

COMMITTEES ON APPEALS AGAINST RATES.

For the District of the Upper Ward.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Peter MacAuslan.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

Thomas Arnot.
John A. Beattie.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
John Jackson.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Dr. Robertson.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gilbert Hamilton.
A. D. Mack.
David Thomson.
Captain Watt.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John P. Kinghorn.
George H. Macneal.
John Train.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS.

Owen Coyle.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
James Tonner.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ORDERS.

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.
John Train.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.

Vice-Convener.

General Purposes Committee.

John A. Beattie.
William Bell.
James Cameron.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
John P. Kinghorn.
Colonel Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
James Tonner.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Committee on National Insurance Act.

John A. Beattie.
John Campbell.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
George H. Macneal.
Peter MacAuslan.
James Tonner.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Elections Committee.

John Adam.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
Colonel Hope Vere.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

National Health Insurance Committee for the County.

The meeting appointed the following to be members of the Insurance Committee for the County as constituted by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, viz :—

J. Raeside Auld.
John A. Beattie.
John Campbell.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Peter MacAuslan.
Colonel King Stewart.
James Tonner.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.
Mrs. R. King Stewart, Murdostoun Castle, Newmains.
Mrs. Thomas F. Wilson, Flemington House, Uddingston.
Dr. T. M'Nay, Dalveen, Larkhall.
Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Local Pension Committee and Appeal Committee.

The meeting, on the motion of the Convener, agreed that the whole of the Members of the Council be appointed Members of the Local Pension Committee for the County under the Old Age Pensions Acts, 1908 and 1911, for the present Council's term of office, and that those members of the Council who are not members of local sub-committees, should be appointed members of the appeal committee, with the addition of the Convener and Vice-Convener.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The Convener, Vice-Convener, and the Chairmen of the District Committees.

The meeting agreed that each committee should appoint its own chairman and fix its own quorum, except in cases where the quorum is regulated by Statute.

Destruction of Rats.—Communication from Association of County Councils in Scotland.

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from the Association of County Councils in Scotland which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY ROOMS.
EDINBURGH, *26th April, 1918.*

DEAR SIR,

DESTRUCTION OF RATS.

At the Annual Meeting held yesterday the Association had under consideration the following motion brought forward by Dumfriesshire, viz.:—

"That a representation be made to the Secretary for Scotland urging (1) that the occupiers of farms and other premises be required (by Order under the Defence of the Realm Act or otherwise) to destroy all rats on their respective farms and premises; (2) that failure to comply with such requirement be created an offence punishable by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction: and (3) that as regards farms and other premises where adequate measures are not adopted by the occupier for the destruction of rats thereon some local or other authority be empowered and required (*a*) to take (in addition to any proceedings in court) effective steps for the destruction of rats on such farm or premises, and (*b*) to recover from the occupier thereof the costs incurred."

It was decided to ask the affiliated County Councils to consider the question at their forthcoming May meetings and to intimate the result to me, so that the Executive Committee, to which the whole subject was remitted with powers, may be conversant with the views of the affiliated County Councils.

I shall be glad to hear from you after the May meeting of the Council.

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I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) A. G. G. ASHER,
Secretary.

The meeting, after discussion, approved generally of the proposed representation to the Secretary for Scotland, but took exception to the express reference to farms without any specific reference to other premises such as collieries and public works, many of which were infested with rats. It was agreed to recommend to the Association that the terms of the representation be altered to meet this objection.

Letting by tenants of rooms at exorbitant charges.—Communication from Bellshill, Mossend, and District Trades Council.

There having been submitted a communication, dated 27th April, 1918, from the Bellshill, Mossend, and District Trades Council with reference to the letting by tenants of rooms at exorbitant charges, the meeting instructed the Clerk to transmit the communication to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, in order that the matter might be dealt with by them.

Motion by Mr. Campbell regarding contribution to Prisoners of War Fund out of Equivalent Grant.

In terms of the notice of motion given by him, Mr. Campbell moved, "That the County Council make a contribution to the Prisoners of War Fund out of the Grant known as the Equivalent Grant," which was seconded by Mr. Lambie.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to the motion, and, subject to the consent of the Secretary for Scotland, resolved to make a contribution of £1,000 from next year's Equivalent Grant to the Prisoners of War Fund, for the benefit primarily of Lanarkshire men, and remitted to the Finance Committee, with powers to allocate the contribution, Mr. John Campbell being added to the Committee for this particular purpose.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 9th May last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

Construction of 380 yards of 4-inch drain from Forth Public Slaughter-house to connect with the sewer from Wilsontown Terrace, and the necessary improvement of said sewer consequent on said connection—£100.

Middle Ward.

(1) Construction of piggery at County Hospital, Motherwell—£100.

(2) Reconstruction of sewer in Bothwell Road and Belmont Avenue, Uddingston, to meet estimated additional cost already sanctioned —£150.

(3) Construction of sewer in Raploch Street, Larkhall, in connection with Larkhall Special Drainage District, to meet estimated increased cost of works already sanctioned—£245.

(4) Erection of workmen's houses at Cleland and Harthill, to meet expenditure in excess of that already sanctioned—£9,400.

WM. DAVIE,
WILLIAM LOVE,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

August, 1918.

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
70	Apr. 3	Lanark County Council,	Bishopbriggs,	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
71	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
72	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
76	,, 17	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
77	,, 25	Do.,	Harthill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
78	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
79	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
80	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
81	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
82	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
83	,, 30	Do.,	Lesmahagow,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
84	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
85	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
86	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
87	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
88	,, ,,	Do..	Carnwath, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
89	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
91	May 10	Do.,	Easterhouse,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
92	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
93	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
94	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
95	,, 13	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
95A	,, ,,	Do.,	Leadhills, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
96	,, ,,	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
97	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do , ...	Do.,	... ...
98	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do..	... ...
99	,, ,,	Do.,	Cleland, ...	Do., ...	Do ,	... ...
100	,, ,,	Do ,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th JUNE, 1918.

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Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations of Analyst.	Were proceedings taken?	Amount of Penalty inflicted.	Charged on Offender.	Charged on Local Authority.	Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	6. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
101	May 13	Lanark County Council,	Cleland, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 11 per cent., ...
102	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
103	,, 17	Do.,	Glasford, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
109	,, 22	Do.,	Uddingston,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
110	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
114	,, ,,	Do.,	Bellshill, ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
115	,, 24	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
116	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
117	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
119	,, 28	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
121	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 1 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat ·6 per cent.,
122	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat 6 per cent.,
124	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
125	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
126	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
127	,, 30	Do.,	Calderbank,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
128	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
129	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
130	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
131	,, ,,	Do.,	Chapelhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
132	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
133	,, ,,	Do.,	Newhouse, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 13 per cent., ...
134	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 12 per cent., ...
135	,, ,,	Do.,	Caldercruix,...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
136	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
138	,, ,,	Do.,	Longriggend,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
139	June 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
140	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
141	,, ,,	Do.,	Caldercruix,...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
142	June 5	Lanark County Council,	Caldercruix,	Skimmed Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
144	,, 7	Do.,	Newmains, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
145	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
146	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
147	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
148	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
149	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do ,	... ...
150	,, 12	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do..	Do..	... ...
151	,, ,,	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
152	,, 13	Do.,	Shotts, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
153	,, ,,	Do..	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
154	,, ,,	Do.,	Bellshill, ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
155	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
159	,, 18	Do.,	Ferniegair, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
160	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 12 per cent., ...
161	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
162	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
163	,, 19	Do.,	Palace Rows,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
164	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 16 per cent., ...
165	,, ,,	Do.,	Do..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
166	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.,	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
167	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.,	Sweet Milk.... ...	Do.,	... ...
168	,, 21	Do.,	Newton, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
169	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
170	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
171	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
172	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
173	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
174	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
175	,, 27	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Lard, ...	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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177	June 27	Lanark County Council.	Bellshill, ...	Lard.	Genuine,	... ...
178	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
179	,, ,,	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat 7 per cent., ...
180	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 27 per cent., ...
181	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine.	... ...
182	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
183	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
184	,, 29	Do.,	Bothwell, ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
185	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 10 per cent., ...

Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 96
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 10

9th July, 1918.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7.	8.	9.	10.	11. Amount of Costs.		12.
Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations of Analyst.	Were proceedings taken?	Amount of Penalty inflicted.	Charged on Offender.	Charged on Local Authority.	Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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0 10 0	... ...	No	...	...	...	Samples taken on delivery, subsequently ascertained to be a mixture of whole and Skimmed Milk.

26th July, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
56	Apl. 3	Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
74	,, 6	Beer, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
75	,, ,,	Honey, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
1	,, 8	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
2	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do..	... ...	0 10 0	
3	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
4	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
5	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... .	0 10 0	
6	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
	,, 29	Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
1	,, 30	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
2	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
2A	,, ,,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 38 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 16 per cent., ...	0 10 0	Sample taken from "weeded" quarter of cow.
3	,, ,,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
4	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
5	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do..	... ...	0 10 0	
6	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do..	... ...	0 10 0	
104	May 17	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
105	,, 20	Do., ...	Do.,	... .	0 10 0	
106	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
107	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
108	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
111	,, 22	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
112	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
120	,, 28	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
123	,, ,,	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
137	June, 5	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	

9th July, 1918.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

26th July, 1918.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland by the

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Number, &c., on Sample.	Name and Address of Vendor (if known).	Name and Address of Purchaser (if any).
Superphosphate, ...	15th May,	—	Not known,	Not known,
Distillery Meal, ...	5th June,	—	Not known,	Not known,

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 30th June, 1918.

Whether "Formal" or "Informal" Sample.	REMARKS.
Informal,	2·35 per cent. deficient in Soluble Phosphates.
Informal,	Contains about 1 grain of Copper per lb. of sample.

Summary :—

Fertilisers—Unsatisfactory, 1.
Feeding Stuffs—Unsatisfactory, 1.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 12th July, 1918.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1918.

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COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 29th April, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. — 29th April, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Davie.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
T. M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 8th April, 1918, which had been printed, and of which a copy had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that the Food Controller had recently communicated with the Local Authority suggesting that members of the Consumers' Council might be appointed *ex officio* members of the Local Food Control Committees for the districts in which they resided. One of the members of the Consumers' Council was Mr. William Gallacher, Loretto, Larkhall, and in compliance with the Food Controller's suggestion the Local Authority had nominated Mr. Gallacher to be an *ex officio* member of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. An invitation to attend this meeting had been sent to Mr. Gallacher. — Appointment of Mr. Gallacher as *ex officio* member of committee.

With reference to the paragraph in the minutes of last meeting regarding the resignations of the Sub-Executive Officers for the Bothwell and Uddingston and Carluke Areas, the Clerk reported that he had arranged for a member of the committee's staff being sent to each of these areas to carry on the work of the Local Sub-Committee until definite arrangements could be made for appointing successors to the present Sub-Executive Officers. In this connection he submitted a letter from the Sub-Executive Officer for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area explaining that the growth of the work rendered it necessary to have more commodious premises, and that his sub-committee proposed to rent a shop in Old Mill Road, at a rent of £16 per annum. The Sub-Executive Officer also intimated that he would be prepared to continue in office with the assistance of the clerkess who had been sent to carry on the work temporarily, and that some little furnishings would be required for the new office. The Clerk further reported that he had had a meeting with the Carluke Sub-Committee and had ascertained that Mr. — Sub-Executive Officers for Bothwell and Uddingston and Carluke Areas.—Arrangements for conduct of work in these areas.

Colquhoun would on no account continue in office. The sub-committee were accordingly advertising for a successor. In this case also it would be necessary to secure separate office accommodation, and the sub-committee were making inquiries regarding suitable premises. The committee approved of the interim arrangements made by the Clerk, and also of the action proposed to be taken by the Local Sub-Committees, and of the provision of clerical assistance to the Sub-Executive Officer for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area.

Charges by bakers for delivery of bread.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee at last meeting, he had again been in communication with the Food Commissioner regarding the desirability of power being given to Local Committees to limit the charge made by bakers for delivery of bread. In reply he had received a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 17th April, 1918, which he submitted, to the effect that, in view of the decision of the High Court of Justiciary, no action could in the meantime be taken by the committee. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Food Commissioner urging the necessity of such amendment being made on the Flour and Bread (Prices) Order as would enable committees to fix reasonable charges for delivery of bread by bakers.

Applications for special rations by invalids.

There were laid before the meeting twenty-nine applications for special rations for invalids suffering from tuberculosis, all of which were certified by the County Medical Officer. The additional rations recommended consisted principally of meat, and were all within the limit laid down by the Food Controller for such cases. The committee approved of all the applications.

Registration of retailers of (*a*) fish, and (*b*) flour.

The Clerk reported that, under the Fish (Registration of Dealers) Order, 1918, it was necessary for all dealers in fish, other than cooked or preserved fish, to apply for registration, and under the Flour and Bread (Registration) Order, 1918, it had also now become obligatory for all flour retailers and manufacturers of bread, cakes, &c., also to be registered. The necessary steps were being taken to have forms of application supplied to applicants and certificates issued.

Registration of customers for bacon.

The committee were informed that a scheme of registration of customers for bacon was being introduced throughout Great Britain, as from 5th May. Under this scheme bacon will not be purchasable on a meat card or supplementary rations card unless from the bacon retailer with whom the customer is registered. The necessary forms for retailers, manufacturers, &c., were in course of being sent out.

Applications for post of full-time Inspector.

The Clerk laid on the table eighty-three applications which he had received for the post of full-time Inspector. A synopsis of these applications had already been sent out to each member of the committee. Having gone over the list of applications, the committee selected the following gentlemen as a short leet, viz.:—John Adam, Jun., Uddingston; Andrew Crawford, Glasgow; George Forbes, Larkhall; William Hamilton, Uddingston; Robert B. Marr, Biggar; George C. Murray, Carnwath; W. T. M'Gillivray, Glasgow; and H. F. Scott, Glasgow. It was agreed to interview these applicants at a meeting of the committee to be held on Monday next, 6th proximo, at 3.15 o'clock p.m., and the Clerk was instructed to write the applicants to attend in the County Buildings, Glasgow, on that date for the purpose, and to pay their travelling expenses to and from the meeting.

Preserving of eggs.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, intimation had been made by the Food Controller that the purchase by householders of eggs for preserving would no longer be considered hoarding, provided the householder gave due notice to the Food Control Committee of his intention to acquire eggs for preserving, and at the same time also gave information as to the number of persons in his household and the quantity of eggs to be preserved. The general indication was that ten dozen eggs per person would not be considered an excessive amount, but it was within the power of the Food Control Committee to specify the quantity of eggs they thought should be permitted in each case. The committee agreed to remit to each Local Sub-Committee to deal with this matter within their area, with a general instruction that ten dozen eggs should be regarded as a maximum allowance for each member of a household in normal circumstances.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

The Clerk submitted a number of official Orders and Leaflets, which had been issued since the date of last meeting, and of which prints had been sent to each member of the committee.

Retail Business (Licensing) Order.—Application for approval of transfer of business to new premises.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. Abraham Glen, 13 John Street, Shieldmuir, Wishaw, of date 26th current, asking the committee's approval of an application by him, under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, for permission to transfer a small confectionery business, presently carried on by him at Wishaw, to new premises in Bellshill. The committee, having considered the application and received further explanations from the Clerk, agreed to approve of it.

6th May, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 6th May, 1918, being a meeting of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Davie.
William Gallacher.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
T. M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 29th April, 1918, which had been printed, and of which a copy had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Letter from Food Commissioner.

The chairman read to the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 1st May, 1918, intimating that he had been desired by Lord Rhondda to communicate an expression of his personal appreciation of the manner in which executive officers and staffs of Food Control Committees throughout the country had carried out the exceptionally arduous duties imposed on them by the various rationing schemes, and to inform the executive officer and staff of the committee of his appreciation of the way in which, notwithstanding serious difficulties, the various schemes undertaken in the district by the committee had been launched and carried through.

Appointment of Inspector.

The Clerk reported that, subsequent to last meeting of the committee, he had received a letter, of date 27th April, from Mr. George C. Murray, Carnwath, withdrawing his application for the post of Inspector, as he had learned that several discharged soldiers were applying for the post, and, unlike himself, were perhaps out of employment. This had left seven gentlemen on the short leet, and these had been invited to be in attendance.

The meeting then proceeded to interview the several applicants, and having done so, unanimously resolved to appoint Mr. William Taylor M'Gillivray, 15 Havelock Street, Dowanhill, Glasgow. It was agreed that Mr. M'Gillivray's tenure of office should be during the pleasure of the committee, and terminable at one month's notice on either side, that his duties be to see generally to the enforcement of the Food Controller's orders throughout the district, to report all contraventions to the Executive Officer, and, in conference with him, to submit information to the Procurator-Fiscal with the view to the prosecution of offenders; and that, in carrying out his work, Mr. M'Gillivray should act generally under the directions of the Executive Officer. Mr. M'Gillivray having been called into the meeting, agreed to accept the appointment on these terms, and thanked the committee for the honour they had done in electing him to the position.

Clerkess for Cambuslang Local Sub-Committee.

There was submitted a letter from the Sub-Executive Officer for the Cambuslang Area, of date 2nd current, intimating that, at a meeting on 23rd current, his sub-committee had empowered him to engage a clerkess for food control work. The committee approved.

Road Transport. — Nomination of member to Area Committee.

The Clerk read a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 3rd current, informing him that a Divisional Road Transport Board for the Western Counties of Scotland, with Colonel Connal as Chairman, had been appointed by the Board of Trade in consultation with the Ministry of Food. It was proposed to set up an Area Committee for Transport, responsible to the Divisional Road Transport Board, over the four counties of Ayr, Dumbarton, Lanark, and Renfrew, with headquarters in Glasgow, and the Food Commissioner asked the committee to be so good as to nominate a member who should be representative of food trade interests to the Area Committee. As the work of the Area Committee would be somewhat exacting, in its early stages especially, the Food Commissioner suggested that any gentleman nominated should have certain spare time to attend to the duties of the committee. It was unanimously agreed to nominate Mr. Auld as the committee's representative on the Area Committee for Transport.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from Mr. L. Maclean, baker, Muir Street, Larkhall, of date 30th ultimo, asking the approval of the committee to an application, under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, for permission to transfer his business from his present premises in Muir Street to vacant premises in Union Street, Larkhall, which had previously been occupied by another baker. The committee approved of Mr. Maclean's application.

Retail Business (Licensing) Order.—Application for sanction to transfer of business to new premises.

The Clerk submitted a circular letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 23rd ultimo, requesting that steps should be taken to have the scheme scheduled to the Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Scheme Order, 1918, adopted by the committee as soon as possible. The Food Commissioner stated that in the case of committees which have adopted the Scottish National Scheme, it would be necessary before the scheduled scheme referred to was adopted that the Committee should revoke the scheme previously adopted hitherto in force in the committee's area. The Clerk explained that the object of the Food Commissioner's request was to bring all Food Control Committees under the same code.

Adoption of Scheme under Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Scheme Order, 1918.

The Committee accordingly resolved as follows:—

1. RESOLVED that, pursuant to Clause 5 of the Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Order, 1917, the scheme adopted by the committee under said Order and the Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Amendment Order, 1918, by resolution, dated the 21st day of January, 1918, for controlling within the area of the committee the distribution and consumption of the articles of food therein specified be and is hereby revoked as from this date, without prejudice to any act or thing done or liability incurred thereunder.

2. RESOLVED that, pursuant to (1) the Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Order, 1917, (2) the Food Control Committees (Local Distribution) Scheme being the Scheme set out in the first schedule to the last-mentioned Order be and is hereby adopted by the committee for controlling within the area of the committee the distribution and consumption of:—

(*a*) Butter and Margarine (which shall be deemed to be one article), and

(*b*) Tea, and that such Scheme shall come into operation on the sixth day of May, 1918.

The attention of the committee was drawn by the Clerk to the fact that a desire had been expressed by the Food Controller that steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the use of potatoes made compulsory in bread. The committee, before taking any definite steps in the matter, instructed the Clerk to make inquiries as to what was being done in this direction by other Food Control Committees.

Use of potatoes in bread.

9th May, 1918.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings there, on Thursday, 9th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	William Love.
Gavin Hamilton.	Colonel King Stewart.
John Jackson.	Joseph Sullivan.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Milk prices.

The Clerk explained that, in consequence of the Food Controller having increased by 4d. the producer's price for milk supplied during the month of May, it had been found necessary to reconsider the prices which retailers should be allowed to charge during the summer months. After consultation with the Food Commissioner and the chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, it had been thought desirable to attempt to have a flat rate fixed for a wide area, and the Clerk had called a conference of Food Control Committees within the counties of Dumbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, including the burghs therein, which had taken place on Tuesday last. The Food Commissioner had been present at the conference, when it had been agreed, by a majority of the committees represented, to recommend that the retail prices fixed for the summer months be as follows:—

From 1st May to 15th June 1918, inclusive, 2s. per imperial gallon.
From 16th June to 31st August, 1918, inclusive, 1s. 8d. per imperial gallon.
From 1st to 30th September, 1918, inclusive, 2s. per imperial gallon.

This recommendation was now brought forward for the committee's consideration.

The committee, having heard the Clerk's explanations, resolved, under the powers conferred on them by the Milk (Summer Prices) Order, 1918, and subject to the Food Controller's sanction, to fix the maximum prices applicable on the occasion of a retail sale of milk within the area of the committee at the following rates:—

From 13th May to 15th June, 1918, inclusive, 2s. per imperial gallon.
From 16th June to 31st August, 1918, inclusive, 1s. 8d. per imperial gallon.
From 1st September to 30th September, 1918, inclusive, 2s. per imperial gallon.

27th May, 1918.

27th May, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 27th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. William Love.
William Gallacher. T. M'Auslin.
Robert Lambie. Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Gavin Hamilton. Apology.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the two previous meetings of the committee, of dates 6th and 9th May, 1918, which had been printed, and of which a copy had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of previous meetings.

With reference to the appointment of M'Gillivray as Inspector, the Clerk reported that Mr. M'Gillivray had taken over his duties on 8th current. In order that Mr. M'Gillivray might be made efficient as soon as possible, the Clerk had had a meeting with Dr. Wilson, the County Medical Officer, on the matter, and had arranged that Mr. M'Gillivray should meantime be temporarily attached to Dr. Wilson's staff, to be initiated by them into the work. The Clerk had also discussed generally with Dr. Wilson the arrangements which should be made for the future conduct of the work of Food Control inspection in the County, including the propriety of making provision for a reasonable allowance to the members of the doctor's staff for extra work which they had already done and would be called upon to perform in future in continuing the work of inspection, and also in rendering assistance to Mr. M'Gillivray. Before submitting the matter to the committee the Clerk had thought it well to consult the Food Commissioner on the subject, and he had now learned that it was the view of the Food Commissioner that by Mr. M'Gillivray's appointment the necessity for obtaining assistance from the County staff of Inspectors would no longer exist. This was not the Clerk's understanding of the arrangement when Mr. M'Gillivray's appointment was proposed, and he therefore desired to have the views of the committee on the position which had now arisen. The committee remitted to the Clerk to interview the Food Commissioner, and endeavour to come to a suitable arrangement which would permit of the County staff of Inspectors being still available for Food Control work. Training of new Inspector.

With reference to the letter written to the committee by Mr. John Henderson, Omoa Road, Cleland, of date 13th March, regarding the question of labour representation on the Local Sub-Committee for the Shotts Area, the Clerk reported that he had now heard from the Sub-Committee for the Shotts Area, to the effect that the sub-committee considered that adequate representation had already been given to the miners in the area, and that the request of the miners in the Cleland district for further representation should not be complied with. The committee, in these circumstances, decided that it was inexpedient to take any action in the matter. Constitution of Local Sub-Committees—
(*a*) Local Sub-Committee for Shotts Area.

(*b*) Local Sub-Committee for Bellshill and Holytown Area.

There was submitted a letter from the Bellshill and Mossend Co-operative Society, of date 14th current, intimating that their representative, Mr. Wm. Wilkinson, had ceased to be a member of the directorate of the society, and suggesting that they should be permitted to nominate Mr. David Angus, Christie Street, Mossend, as his successor. The proposal having received the full approval of the other two societies concerned, the committee approved.

Appointment of Sub-Executive Officer for Carluke Area.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Alex. Colquhoun, Parish Council Chambers, Carluke, formerly Sub-Executive Officer at Carluke, intimating that the sub-committee had appointed Mr. Alfred Bruce Cliff, Mount Vernon Cottage, 11 Orchard Street, Carluke, as the Sub-Executive Officer for the area, at the salary of £2 per week, commencing on Monday, 20th current. The sub-committee had also arranged for the use of a room in the Carluke Parish Council Offices for the Sub-Executive Officer, at a rent of £12 per annum, including firing and lighting. The committee approved.

Communications from Cambuslang Local Sub-Committee.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Cambuslang Local Sub-Committee, of date 18th May, transmitting copy of a letter from representatives of shopkeepers in Cambuslang, stating that every man who could be spared from the distribution of food in Cambuslang had already enlisted, and also a further letter, of date 20th May, enclosing a letter received from Mr. G. B. Dodds, butcher, Cambuslang, intimating that his exemption had been withdrawn by the Local Tribunal, and asking that consideration be given to his position, as he held that his business was an essential one, and he had over 1,300 persons registered with him. The committee decided to inform the Cambuslang Sub-Committee that they did not consider it desirable to take any action in regard to either of the matters referred to in the letters.

Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918.

There were submitted the following applications under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918:—

(1) G. Hamilton, Ravenswood, Calderbank, for permission to reopen a shop at 12 Main Street, Calderbank, lately occupied by an Italian, for the purpose of retailing pies and light refreshments on days other than Sunday.

(2) E. Balmer, 27 New Street, Calderbank, for permission to carry on trade as a general dealer and hawker there.

(3) Mrs. Clarkin, Blantyre Cottage, Blantyre, for permission to open a shop at 92 Glasgow Road, Blantyre, for the retailing of confectionery and delf and small wares.

(4) Bellshill and Mossend Co-operative Society, Ltd., to open a branch shop in Clydesdale district, to relieve the pressure at their central premises.

The committee expressed their approval to all of these applications.

Manufacture and sale of pies ration free.

The Clerk reported that, under a recent instruction of the Food Controller, it was now permissible for meat retailers to sell various classes of edible offals without coupons, and also that bakers might be authorised to sell, ration free, meat pies not exceeding 6 ozs. in weight cooked, of a kind usually sold in their district, provided the total weight of the cooked meat in the pie did not exceed 20 per cent. of the whole weight of the pie, and that such authority was confined to retailers who had customarily sold meat pies of the class described. A considerable number of applications had been received from bakers for authority to sell such pies. The committee resolved to authorise all

bakers in their area who had customarily sold meat pies of the class described to manufacture and sell such pies without coupons.

Supplies of condensed milk.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Messrs. Nestlé and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, explaining that condensed milk is now controlled by the Government, and that the supplies available only permitted retailers to get a limited quantity of milk each month. Formerly the Company had issued infants' preference cards, which could be used to obtain supplies of milk for infants, but the limited supplies available to traders rendered these now useless. If, however, the Food Control Committee were to endorse the Company's card in suitable instances and to exercise their powers to grant supplies where needful, the Company were of opinion that the Ministry of Food would make additional supplies available, and the Company suggested that the committee might recommend to the Ministry of Food to recognise such signed demands for supplies of Nestlé and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk. The committee approved of the Company's suggestion.

New rationing scheme.—Supplementary rations.

The Clerk reported that, when the present food and meat cards expired on 13th July, 1918, it was intended to introduce a new scheme of rationing under which, instead of separate cards, a ration book would be issued, containing separate leaves for various articles. A meeting of Representatives of Food Control Committees and their Executive Officers had been called by the Food Commissioner for Wednesday last, and the Chairman and Clerk had attended. In connection with the new scheme the question of supplementary rations had arisen, and the Clerk now read to the meeting a circular letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 22nd current, inviting the committee to express an opinion as to whether the present system of supplementary rations should be continued after 13th July, or whether a return should be made to a uniform flat rate. After receiving explanations from the Clerk, the committee were of opinion that, provided the supplementary ration was to be confined to bacon and the present high purchasing value of the coupon was retained, a supplementary ration was unnecessary, but that, in the event of the purchasing value of the coupon being reduced, supplementary rations ought to be retained. The committee also expressed the opinion that a supplementary ration in the shape of butter or cheese would be of more value to the working class than a supplementary ration of bacon.

Rationing of tea.

The Clerk also submitted a communication from the Food Commissioner, intimating that, at the conference in Glasgow on 22nd current, the rationing of tea had been under consideration, and a suggestion had been made that tea should be rationed on the basis of an allowance of two ounces per week to all persons over six years of age. The Food Commissioner was desirous of having the committee's views on the subject. The committee expressed themselves in favour of the proposal.

Assistant Commissioner on Propaganda and Education.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 13th current, explaining that the Rev. Thomas Cameron had been appointed an Assistant Commissioner for Education and Propaganda, and was arranging meetings in various localities. If the committee desired any meetings to be held in their district Mr. Cameron would give any request for his services his immediate attention. The committee remitted this matter to the Local Sub-Committees.

Scale of salaries for Sub-Executive Officers.

The Clerk explained that an amended scale of salaries for Sub-Executive Officers had now been framed, and that copies had been issued to members of the committee before this meeting. The scale showed an advance of roughly 50 per cent. above the previous scale, which was admittedly inadequate. The committee approved of the scale.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table prints of various official Orders and Leaflets, which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting, and of which copies had been sent to the members of the committee.

Registration of flour and bacon retailers, &c.

The Clerk explained that the Ministry of Food had recently made compulsory the registration of retailers of flour and bakers, and also the registration of bacon retailers and wholesalers, and that the necessary steps were being taken to have the registration of these traders carried through.

Proceedings of sub-committees.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at meetings of the sub-committees dealing with Orders relating to bread and flour, sugar, and milk and butter, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which meetings are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof and of the findings of the several sub-committees.

17th June, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 17th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

W. K. Jackson.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Love.	
T. M'Auslin.	Joseph Sullivan.

Chairman.

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting .

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 27th May, 1918, which had been printed and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

New Inspector.

The Clerk reported that since last meeting he had had an interview with the Enforcement Officer of the Food Commissioner's Department, who was now quite agreeable that Mr. M'Gillivray should act in co-operation with the County staff of Inspectors, and had also indicated that if the County Council considered it necessary to provide additional remuneration for the County staff of Inspectors in respect of work done for the Food Control Committee, the Food Commissioner would be prepared to meet the outlay.

Salaries of Sub-Executive Officers.

The Clerk reported that he had communicated to the Sub-Executive Officers the salaries fixed for them by the committee, and he submitted letters which he had received from several of the Sub-Executive Officers to the effect that the salaries were inadequate in view of the amount of clerical assistance

which required to be obtained to overtake the work. It was remitted to the Clerk to confer with the Sub-Executive Officers concerned, and to report further to the committee.

Applications for registration as retailers of sweetmeats.

There were submitted applications for registration as retailers of sweetmeats, under the Sale of Sweetmeats (Restriction) Order, 1918, by the following persons:—

E. Coia & Co., in respect of premises at 176 Main Street, Bellshill, 533 Main Street, Mossend, and 149 Main Street, Bellshill.

Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., Rutherglen, in respect of their canteen at their Phœnix Works.

Shettleston Co-operative Society, Ltd., in respect of their premises at 150 Main Street, Baillieston.

Hamilton Palace Co-operative Society, Ltd., in respect of their premises at Bothwellhaugh.

Coatbridge Co-operative Society, Ltd., in respect of premises at Drumpark, Bargeddie.

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Robert Jack, in respect of premises at Greenhill, Cleland.

Alexander Begg, in respect of premises at Newmains.

Wm. Ovens & Son, in respect of premises in Biggar.

The committee agreed to grant the applications by Messrs. E. Coia & Co., to remit the applications by Alexander Begg and Wm. Ovens & Son to the Local Sub-Committees for Cambusnethan and Biggar respectively for enquiry, and to refuse all the other applications.

Transfer of Certificates of Registration of deceased retailer.

There was submitted an application from Miss Janet Hamilton, 27 Townhead Street, Strathaven, for the transfer of the various Certificates as a retailer of sugar, bacon, and ham, flour and bread, potatoes and tea, granted by the Food Control Committee to Miss Margaret Hamilton, 29 Townhead Street, Strathaven, now deceased. The applicant was a sister of the late Miss Margaret Hamilton's, and desired the Certificates of Registration transferred to her name to allow her to carry on the deceased's business. It was unanimously agreed to accede to Miss Janet Hamilton's request.

Milk prices.

The Clerk reported that, under the Summer Prices (Amendment) Order, 1918, the Food Controller had, as from 9th current, increased the producer's price for milk by 4d. per gallon. He also submitted a circular from the Food Commissioner, pointing out that, by the passing of this Order, the retail price for milk would fall to be automatically increased by 4d. per gallon.

As there had been some delay on the part of the Ministry of Food in London in sanctioning the price fixed by the recent Conference of Food Control Committees, the Food Commissioner considered it necessary for the Local Food Control Committees interested to pass a formal resolution approving of the new milk prices. The committee accordingly resolved and hereby resolve that, as from 9th June, 1918, the maximum price to be charged on the occasion of a retail sale of milk within the District of the Local Food Control Committee be as follows:—

From 9th June to 15th June, ...	2s. 4d.	per gallon.
From 16th June to 31st August, ...	2s. 0d.	,,
From 1st September to 30th September,	2s. 4d.	,,

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table copies of various Official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting of the committee.

Communal kitchens.

The Clerk reminded the committee that the Finance Committee of the County Council had remitted to them to make enquiry regarding the proposal of the Cambuslang Local Sub-Committee that a communal kitchen should be established in Cambuslang. For the information of the committee he had prepared a memorandum regarding communal kitchens which had already been established in other towns. Copies of this memorandum had been issued to members of the committee. After considering the memorandum, it was unanimously agreed to report to the County Council that the committee did not consider it expedient to take any action in the direction of establishing communal kitchens at this time.

Retail Business (Licensing) Order.

There was submitted an application by Mrs. Main, Ashgillhead, Ashgill, for the sanction of the committee to an application she had lodged, under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, for permission to establish a small chip-potato shop. The committee approved of the application.

Proceedings of sub-committees.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at meetings of the Sub-Committee dealing with Orders relating to Potatoes and Flour and Bread, held earlier in the day, as set forth in the minutes of these Sub-Committees which are appended hereto, and the committee approved of these, and of the several recommendations of the sub-committees.

Congratulations to chairman and Mr. Sullivan.

At the conclusion of the business, Mr. M'Auslin drew the attention of the committee to the fact that, since last meeting, their chairman had been the recipient of the honour of a knighthood of the Order of the British Empire, and that Mr. Sullivan had also had conferred upon him the honour of membership of the same Order. He moved that the committee record their gratification at this well-merited recognition of the public services rendered by the chairman and Mr. Sullivan, and express the hope that these gentlemen may long be spared to enjoy the honours conferred upon them. This was unanimously agreed to.

The chairman and Mr. Sullivan thanked the committee for the kind expressions which had been used regarding them.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

27th May, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 27th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and the Burgh of Biggar, dealing with Orders relating to Bread and Flour.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Gallacher.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
T. M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the sub-committee, Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Apology.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Gavin Hamilton.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 4th February, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Use of potatoes in bread.

The Clerk reported that, at the recent conference on milk prices, held in Glasgow on 7th May, 1918, the question of making the use of potatoes in bread compulsory had been raised, and, as the result of a discussion, it had been finally agreed by the conference to recommend the committees represented to make the use of potatoes in bread compulsory as from 1st September next, and to fix the percentage of potatoes to be used in baking at not less than 10 per cent. of the weight of the flour. The sub-committee approved of the recommendation of the conference.

New scheme for provision of potatoes to bakers at subsidised price.

In this connection the Clerk explained that a new scheme had been adopted by the Ministry of Food, under which bakers could obtain potatoes in quantities of 1 cwt. and upwards direct from a wholesale trader, at the price of £3 10s. per ton, provided the Food Control Committee had previously taken in quotations and nominated wholesale traders to be suppliers within their area, and the Food Controller had approved of such nominations. It was agreed to remit to the Local Sub-Committees to carry out the scheme in their areas in any cases in which bakers desired to take advantage of it.

Application for permission to charge increased price for bread.

There was submitted a letter from Messrs. John Hislop & Sons, grocers, Symington, asking permission to charge a higher price for bread than the Food Controller's price, on the ground of the extra cost of carriage. As relative to this letter, there was also submitted a letter from the Abington Local Sub-Committee, recommending that a flat rate of 9½d. per 4-lb. loaf be allowed for bread sold by Mr. Hislop, whether over the counter or delivered from his van in the Biggar area. The sub-committee approved.

Licenses.

There was submitted, for the information of the sub-committee, copies of the following licenses granted by the Ministry of Food within the committee's area:—

(1) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for rusks for sausages.

(2) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. Craighall Milling Co., Ltd., for rusks for sausages.

(3) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. Wm. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for rusks for sausages.

(4) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for rusks for sausages.

(5) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. Craighall Milling Co., Ltd., for rusks for sausages.

(6) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for rusks for sausages.

(7) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 72 sacks of flour from Messrs. Craighall Milling Co., Ltd., for rusks for sausages.

(8) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 16 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for rusks for sausages.

(9) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 16 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for rusks for sausages.

(10) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for rusks for sausages.

(11) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(12) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 40 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for fine rusks for sausages.

(13) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 36 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(14) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(15) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for fine rusks for sausages.

(16) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(17) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Wm. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for fine rusks for sausages.

(18) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for fine rusks for sausages.

(19) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(20) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Wm. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for fine rusks for sausages.

(21) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat Bros., for fine rusks for sausages.

(22) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. Craighall Milling Co., Ltd., for fine rusks for sausages.

(23) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Wm. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for fine rusks for sausages.

(24) Messrs. Geo. Mackie, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Sons, for fine rusks for sausages.

(25) Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to obtain 4 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Causar & Co., for manufacturing brattice cloth.

(26) Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to obtain 3 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Causar & Co., for manufacturing brattice cloth.

(27) Messrs. T. P. Miller & Co., Cambuslang, to obtain 6 sacks of corn starch, for the purpose of sizing.

(28) Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to obtain 4 sacks of damaged flour, for the purpose of sizing.

(29) Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to obtain 3 sacks of flour, for the purpose of sizing.

(30) Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to obtain 3 sacks of flour, for the purpose of sizing.

(31) R. M'Keith, Campsie, to use 7 lbs. of imported pure wheaten flour, for the purpose of preparing bread for an invalid.

There were laid on the table prints of various official Orders and Leaflets, which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting, and of which copies had been sent to the members of the committee. Official Orders and Leaflets.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 17th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar dealing with Orders relating to Flour and Bread. 17th June, 1918.

Present—

W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
T. M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the sub-committee, Sir Robert King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 27th May, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Applications for authority to charge higher prices for bread.

There was submitted a letter from the Sub-Executive Officer for the Biggar area, submitting four applications for permission to charge prices for bread in excess of those fixed by the Food Controller from the following firms:—

Frank Anderson, Coulter, Biggar.
T. Hutchison, Thankerton.
John Forrest, Post Office, Thankerton.
William Prentice, merchant, Symington.

The sub-committee recommended that in each case the retailer should be authorised to charge a flat rate of 9½d. per four-pound loaf for bread sold, whether over the counter or delivered from a van in the Biggar area. On the motion of Mr. Lambie, seconded by Mr. M'Auslin, it was agreed to approve of the recommendation of the Local Sub-Committee.

Application for authority to deliver new bread.

There was laid before the meeting an application from Messrs. Wm. Austin, Ltd., Bellshill, for permission to deliver bread to three of their own premises, to certain hospitals and institutions, and to another retailer in the area, within twelve hours of the bread being baked, on Friday nights and on the evening of the Monday before the merchants' holiday. It was explained by Messrs. Wm. Austin, Ltd., that the permission was necessary, as it was impossible for them to deliver on Saturday all bread baked by them, and they had to relieve their traffic by delivering the bread on Friday nights. It was unanimously agreed to grant Messrs. William Austin, Ltd.'s application.

Licences.

There were laid before the meeting the following licences granted by the Ministry of Food:—

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 13/280 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat, Bros., for fine bread rusks for sausages.

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for fine bread rusks for sausages.

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat, Bros., for rusks for sausages.

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 20 sacks of flour from Messrs. John Ure & Son, for fine rusks for sausages.

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 19 sacks of flour from Messrs. Mowat, Bros., for fine rusks for sausages.

Messrs. G. Mackie, Kirkhill Bakery, Cambuslang, to obtain 18 sacks of flour from Messrs. Wm. Primrose & Sons, Ltd., for fine rusks for sausages.

Mr. Anderson, Early Braes, Springboig, Shettleston, to obtain 7 lbs. of imported pure wheaten flour for the purpose of preparing bread for an invalid.

Messrs. John Glen & Sons, Glengowan Printworks, Caldercruix, to obtain 130 sacks of corn starch and 34 sacks of gum for the purpose of sizing.

Messrs. James Park & Co., Carmyle, to obtain 2 sacks of white dextrine for the purpose of sizing.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

The Clerk laid on the table prints of various Official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 27th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, dealing with Orders relating to Sugar. — 27th May, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. — William Love.
William Gallacher. — T. M'Auslin.
Robert Lambie. — Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.

Mr. J. Raeside Auld, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. — Chairman.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Gavin Hamilton. — Apology.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 8th April, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that 14,760 applications had been received from householders within the County for sugar for preserving fruit. These had all been dealt with, and the authorities for supplies were in course of being issued. — Sugar for domestic fruit preserving.

As relative to this matter, the Clerk submitted a Leaflet M.G.S.J.4, containing particulars of a scheme under which Food Control Committees might be authorised to undertake the manufacture of jam for sale on the open market from surplus supplies of fruit grown in their district, which would otherwise have been wasted. Where such a scheme was adopted the Ministry were prepared to provide sugar to such extent as might be found practicable. The expenses incurred in the manufacture of jam would be charged to a special account in the committee's ledger, and any loss involved would not be regarded as an expense, repayment of which would be reclaimed from the Ministry. The sub-committee were of opinion that it was not expedient to take any action to adopt the scheme, but agreed that the Clerk should approach the Food Commissioner as to the possibility of surplus fruit being taken over from private growers for pulping by jam makers. — Manufacture of jam from surplus fruit.

Transfer of Certificate of Registration.

With reference to the paragraph in the minutes of last meeting regarding the complaint against Mr. William M'Callum, 40 Broompark Road, Larkfield. Blantyre, the Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. J. B. Soutter & Son, Hamilton, applying for a transfer of the Certificate of Registration as a sugar retailer, held by Mr. William M'Callum, to his brother Mr. Hugh M'Callum. The sub-committee approved of the application being granted.

Late applications by manufacturers.

There was submitted late applications for sugar from the following persons:—

(1) Mrs. Thomas Pate, Rookwood, Lesmahagow, for the manufacture of candy balls.

(2) Mrs Mary Wright, 15 Parkhall Street, East Kilbride, for the manufacture of scones.

(3) Mrs J. Watt, Bell's Wynd, Douglas, for the manufacture of toffees.

The sub-committee decided to refuse all of these applications.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table prints of various official Orders and Leaflets, which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting, and of which copies had been sent to the members of the sub-committee.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 27th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and the Burgh of Biggar, dealing with Orders relating to Milk and Butter. — 27th May, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. — William Love.
William Gallacher. — T. M'Auslin.
Robert Lambie. — Mrs. Neish.
Colonel King Stewart.

In the absence of Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 8th April, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk laid on the table a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 13th May, intimating that he was communicating to the Food Controller the committee's recommendation regarding retail milk prices. — Milk prices.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Avonbank Co-operative Society, of date 18th current, pointing out that the Society had five dairies in connection with their undertaking, four of which were in the Burgh of Rutherglen and one in the County. As there was a difference in the Burgh price compared with the price charged in the County this created an awkward situation, as the members of the Society purchasing their supplies in the Burgh shops paid a higher price for their milk than those making purchases in the County shop. In the circumstances, the Society suggested that they might be empowered to charge the Burgh price at their County premises. The sub-committee were of opinion that it was not expedient to accede to the Society's suggestion. — Communication from Avonbank Co-operative Society.

There was also submitted a letter from Mr. Robert Wilson, East Glespin, Douglas, of date 18th current, requesting, on behalf of the retail trade in his district, about twelve in number, that the committee reconsider the retail prices for milk from 16th June to 31st August. The price suggested by Mr. Wilson and his fellow traders was a flat rate of 2s. for the summer months. The sub-committee decided not to entertain Mr. Wilson's request. — Request for reconsideration of retail milk prices.

Milk supply in Calder Road, Mossend.

There was read to the meeting letter from the Sub-Executive Officer of the Local Sub-Committee for the Bellshill and Holytown Area, regarding the position created by Mr. D. Stalker, Farmer, Mossend, who had discontinued selling his milk to Mrs. Robb, 25 Calder Road, Mossend, and was now retailing all his milk from his own premises. The sub-committee considered that the inhabitants of the Calder Road District could not be expected to go to Mr. Stalker's Farm, and they suggested that the Food Control Committee might endeavour to obtain milk from some other district in the County and place it at the disposal of the people who reside in the Calder Road District. In the event of no supply being available the sub-committee considered that Mr. Stalker should be compelled to deliver milk to Mrs. Robb's former customers without the necessity of their having to go to his farm. In this connection the Clerk reported that he had been informed that Mr. Kerr, of New House, who formerly sold milk to a dairykeeper in the Bellshill Area, was now sending all his supplies to Airdrie. He had already communicated with Mr. Kerr to ascertain whether arrangements could be made whereby the milk formerly sold by him to the dairykeeper in Bellshill could be made available in the area, but he had not yet received a reply from Mr. Kerr. The sub-committee remitted to the Clerk to make further inquiry into the circumstances connected with Mr. Stalker's alteration in his method of disposing of his milk with the view, if possible, of getting him to retail his milk in a manner more convenient to the public. They also instructed the Clerk to endeavour to arrange for Mr. Kerr's supply of milk being retained in the area.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table prints of various official Orders and Leaflets, which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting, and of which copies had been sent to the members of the sub-committee.

Surplus farmers' butter.

The Clerk submitted a Circular M.G. Butter 4 from the Food Controller, indicating that, in order to make the best use of surplus farmers' butter, this might be sold to retailers or blenders or to householders for home preservation by salting for winter use. The circular was remitted to the Local Sub-Committees for their attention.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 17th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar dealing with Orders relating to Potatoes. 17th June, 1918.

Present—

W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
T. M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Mr. T. M'Auslin, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 15th April, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved of, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted the following late applications for registration as retail dealers in potatoes:— Late applications for registration.

John Ferrie, 44 New Street, Stonehouse (eating and seed).
George Campbell, 14 Church Street, Larkhall (eating).
Alexander Wardrop, Montgomery Street, Larkhall (eating).

Having received explanations from the Clerk as to the circumstances of the several applications, the sub-committee agreed to recommend that all of them be granted.

The Clerk explained that a claim had been made by Robert M'Ivor, Crossford, for compensation as a grower in respect of potatoes sold by him, but that the claim had been rejected on account of the fact that deliveries of four tons had not been made during each period of seven days. Mr. M'Ivor had written explaining that the cause of the failure to deliver the potatoes in four-ton lots during periods of seven days was the want of bags, as his customers had not returned these to him timeously, and there had also been further delay owing to the Railway Company having closed a local station. The Food Commissioner had now indicated that, provided the committee were satisfied with Mr. M'Ivor's excuse, he would allow the claim. The sub-committee approved of the claim being allowed, subject to the Clerk making such further enquiry as he might think necessary into the circumstances set forth by Mr. M'Ivor. Application for compensation by grower of potatoes.

There were laid on the table prints of various Official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued by the Ministry since the date of last meeting. Official Orders and Leaflets.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

9th May, 1918.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall there, upon Thursday, 9th May, 1918, being a Joint Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards of the County of Lanark.

Present—

Of the Committee of the Upper Ward.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Gavin Hamilton.	Peter MacAuslan.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.	Alexander Pillans.
	William Wilson.

Of the Committee of the Middle Ward.

William L. Dyer.	William Love.
George Fraser.	A. D. Mack.
James Kelly.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
David Thomson.	

Of the Committee of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.	Walter C. B. Christie.
J. Raeside Auld.	John Train.

Appointment of chairmen of committees.

The members of the committee present—each only acting and voting in his committee—having proceeded to appoint a chairman of their committee, the following were appointed, viz.:—

For the Upper Ward—Colonel Hope Vere.
For the Middle Ward—Colonel Buchanan.
For the Lower Ward—John Adam.

Dates and places for hearing and disposing of appeals.

The following dates and places were fixed for hearing and disposing of appeals and complaints against the valuation of the Assessors for the year 1918-19, viz.:—

For the Upper Ward—At Lanark, and within the County Hall, on Monday, 16th September, 1918, at 12.15 o'clock p.m.

For the Middle Ward—At Hamilton, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, on Tuesday, 10th September, 1918, at ten o'clock a.m., and on Thursday, 12th September, 1918, at ten o'clock a.m.

For the Lower Ward—At Glasgow, and within the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, 40 Wilson Street, on Friday, 13th September, 1918, at twelve o'clock noon.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. — 29th May, 1918.

Present—

William Gardner.	Colonel King Stewart.
John Hurll.	William Sym.
William K. Jackson.	William Templeton.
William Love.	David Thomson.
James C. Pollok.	William Wilson.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 13th March, 1918, which had been sumitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, since last meeting, there had been notified 75 cases under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, and that of these 3 were anthrax cases, the particulars of these being as follows:— — Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.

Upper Throughburn Farm, Forth, by Lanark (James Morton).—The animal affected in this case was a 1-year-old Ayrshire quey which had been bred on the farm. The artificial feeding consisted of crushed oats. It is said that, by mistake, the queys were fed on one occasion, eight days previously, with undecorticated cotton cake. It is also admitted that the material swept up from the floor of the food-preparing house was given to the queys. The County Veterinary Inspector is of opinion that infection was got from the undecorticated cotton cake (Egyptian). There remain on the farm 58

cattle, 96 sheep, 2 swine, and 5 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. The restrictions that had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 1st April, 1918.

Dunsyre Mains, Dunsyre, Carstairs Junction (Andrew Barr). — The animal affected in this case was a 3-year-old cross-bred cow which had been on the farm for eleven months. The artificial feeding consisted of Egyptian cotton cake, bean meal, and dairy meal. Suspicion is attached to the artificial feeding stuffs. There remain on the farm 84 cattle and 10 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. The restrictions that had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 17th April, 1918.

Millridge Farm, Libberton, Carnwath (John Muirhead).—The animal affected in this case was a 1-year-old cross-bred heifer which was bred on the farm. It is stated that the heifer never got any artificial feeding stuffs. It might have got only a little hay and potatoes and turnips. The heifer was on Rough Park, which is a field of inferior grazing, and just now consists chiefly of dry scrub, which, if swallowed by an animal, would readily produce lesions in the digestive mucosa. Mr. Muirhead admits that the potatoes, &c., given to the heifer a fortnight ago were carried in the same dishes as were used to carry cake daily to fattening animals on the farm. There remain on the farm 81 cattle, 187 sheep, and 11 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. The restrictions that had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 22nd May, 1918.

Notes by County Veterinary Inspector on outbreaks of anthrax.

There were laid before the meeting notes by the County Veterinary Inspector, on outbreaks of anthrax which have occurred in the County during the period from March 1st, 1914, to April 30th, 1918, and including figures from January 1st, 1911 (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Vaccination of herds for prevention of abortion. — Letter from Secretary of Lanarkshire Farmers' Union.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Lanarkshire Farmers' Union to the County Veterinary Inspector, which was in the following terms, viz. : —

"55 Bath Street,
"Glasgow, 14th March, 1918.

"Dear Mr. Begg,

"I read your report to the meeting, yesterday, of the County Executive of the Farmers' Union, and have been asked by them to express to you their appreciation and thanks for the work which you are so willingly doing for the benefit of the County herd owners.

"The Union members will be informed of your views, that all owners of infected herds should avail themselves of the opportunity of having their animals treated, and that, in doing so, they should so arrange that your work in the several districts might be done with a minimum of visits.

"I am sending a copy of your report to each of the Branch Unions, and will ask the secretaries to have matter very fully discussed at each meeting.

"Yours faithfully,

"GEORGE C. MEARNS."

Vaccination of herds for prevention of abortion.—Report by County Veterinary Inspector.

There was submitted the following report by the County Veterinary Inspector, regarding the vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 28th May, 1918.

"EPIZOOTIC ABORTION.—VACCINATION OF HERDS.

"REPORT No. (4).

"SIR,

"I have to submit the following further statistics *re* the vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion:—

New applications, 3; total to date, 52.
New herds treated, 3; total to date, 52.

"Number of animals immunised at this date in—

Upper Ward, ...	583	animals.
Middle Ward....	468	,,
Lower Ward, ...	33	,,
	1,084	animals.

"Yours faithfully,

"HUGH BEGG."

Glanders.—Suspected case.

The Clerk also reported the particulars regarding a suspected case of glanders at—

Greenleeshills, Cambuslang (Archibald Mason).

Parasitic mange.

The Clerk reported that cases of parasitic mange had occurred at:—

Langlees Farm, Netherburn (Joseph Goulding);
Stables, Old School, New Stevenston (Charles Bertie;
Omoa Knackery (Mr. Dunn, Almond Inn, Blackburn);
98 Brandon Street, Motherwell (John Sutherland); and
South Draffan Farm, Kirkmuirhill (Robert Pate).

Parasitic Mange Order.—Alleged contraventions.

There having been submitted police informations against—

(1) John Sutherland, 98 Brandon Street, Motherwell; and
(2) Robert Pate, South Draffan Farm, Kirkmuirhill,

for alleged contraventions of the Parasitic Mange Order, the meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to transmit the informations in both cases to the Procurator-Fiscal, with a view to the institution of legal proceedings.

Parasitic mange.—Suspected cases.

The Clerk submitted reports, regarding suspected cases of parasitic mange at—

Sandyholm, Crossford, Carluke (Walter Forrest);
Westshields, Carnwath (Ninian Barrie);
Lowerstobwood, Forth (J. Gilchrist);
Watston, Greengairs (William Wilson);

Westhills, Cathkin (Detective J. Montgomery);
Coats Street, Coatbridge (John Alexander);
Craigend, Stepps (John Forrest);
Greendykeside, Longriggend (W. Pryde);
Quarryhill Street, Motherwell (Patrick M'Cormick);
Lesmahagow (J. Loudon);
Skellyton, Larkhall (John Brown);
Bothwell (Mr. Dickie, carrier);
Kirkmuirhill (Robert Robertson);
Gunnay, Coatbridge (William Sinclair); and
20 Glasgow Road, Burnbank (Cornelius Lindsay).

Parasitic Mange (Amendment) Order of 1918.

There was submitted a copy of the Parasitic Mange (Amendment) Order of 1918, together with copy of a circular letter from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, dated 8th May, 1918, on the subject of parasitic mange in horses, the purport of which the Clerk explained to the meeting. The Clerk also stated that the new Parasitic Mange Order had been published in newspapers circulating in the County.

Swine fever.—Infected places

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Orders, viz.:—

Wattstoun, Greengairs, Airdrie (Robert Wilson);
Wellside Dairy, Halfway, Cambuslang (And. M'Gowan);
Glentewing Farm, Crawfordjohn (Robert Lockhart); and
Lambhill House, Lambhill (Mrs. Grace M'Lean),

and that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the first three cases referred to, and also in the following case reported to the last meeting, viz.:—

Craigendmuir Piggeries, Stepps (Cardowan Live Stock Co., Ltd.).

Swine fever —Movement restrictions.

The Clerk stated that movement restrictions under the Swine Fever Order had been placed upon the following premises, viz.:—

Brackenhurst Farm Steading, Airdrie (Glasgow Corporation Cleansing Department).

Sheep scab.

The Clerk reported an outbreak of sheep scab at Thornlie Farm, Wishaw, amongst sheep belonging to Messrs. J. & J. Marshall, auctioneers, Carluke; that the sheep had been brought from Campsie Farm, Kerriemuir (Mr. Whyte), to Wishaw for slaughter; that legal proceedings had been instituted by the Forfarshire County Authorities against Whyte, in respect of an alleged contravention of the Sheep Scab Order, and that he had been convicted and fined £1.

Sheep scab.—Suspected cases.

The Clerk reported the particulars regarding suspected cases of sheep scab at—

Hainighead, Carluke (Allan Arneil); and
Westtown, Lesmahagow (Captain John B. Greenshields).

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions as follows:— Results of prosecutions.

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
William Agnew, Carriage Hirer, 14 Coats Street, Coatbridge	Parasitic Mange Order—Contravention	Pled guilty, and fined £5.
Archibald Struthers, Shott Farm, High Blantyre	Anthrax Order—Contravention	Pled guilty and fined £10.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter, dated 30th April, 1918, from the Glasgow Veterinary College (Incorporated), regarding the desirability of further steps being taken by way of inducing sheep owners to interest themselves in the investigation of sheep diseases, and suggesting that meetings might be arranged to take place at the various auction marts in the County on sale-days. Sheep diseases investigation.—Letter from Glasgow Veterinary College.

The meeting continued the matter for further consideration, and, meantime, instructed the Clerk to communicate with Mr. John Morton, Whelphill, Abington, inviting him to offer suggestions as to the best means of achieving the object in view.

There having been submitted a police information against Mr. Robert Allen, Brickwork Rows, Gartcosh, for an alleged contravention of the Wild Birds Protection Order, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that proceedings be instituted against the accused, and instructed accordingly. Wild Birds Order.—Alleged contravention.

The Clerk submitted and read a communication from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, on the subject of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, which was in the following terms:— Wart Disease of Potatoes Order.—Letter from Board of Agriculture.

"Board of Agriculture for Scotland,
"29 St. Andrew Square,
"Edinburgh, 20th May, 1918.

"22820.

"SIR,

"WART DISEASE OF POTATOES (SCOTLAND) ORDER OF 1913.

"I am directed by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to state that, as potato planting for this season is now completed, the Board would be glad to be informed whether all the occupiers of 'infected premises' in the area of jurisdiction of your Local Authority who have planted potatoes in these premises have done so under the authority of a licence granted by the local Inspector. During previous seasons a certain number of the occupiers of infected gardens have ignored the conditions of the notice served upon them under the Order, and in some cases have planted potatoes that are susceptible to the disease. The result has been that the disease has reappeared in these gardens in a more virulent form.

"The Board propose this year to take a serious view of all cases of wilful contravention of the Order, and they would be glad if the Inspector under the Order for Lanarkshire could be instructed to furnish to the Local Authority the names and addresses of all occupiers of infected premises who have planted potatoes without licence. They would suggest also that, on receipt of this information, the persons concerned should be asked for an explanation, and in all cases where no satisfactory explanation is forth-

coming your Local Authority should consider the question of instituting proceedings against the offenders.

"I am to add that the Board are arranging for similar action to be taken in all areas in Scotland in which farms or gardens have been scheduled under the Order.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

"T. M. CAIE,

"Assistant Secretary."

The Clerk stated that, in replying to the above communication, he had informed the Board that Mr. Begg, the Inspector under the above Order, had prepared a list of premises in the County which had been placed under restriction and in respect of which no licences had been issued, with the intention of making an inspection of them and reporting any cases where the Order had been contravened; but that Mr. Begg proposed to delay visiting the premises until such time as, by personal observation, he could, by the appearance of haulms, determine the question as to whether any contravention of the Order had been committed. The meeting approved.

Salary of County Veterinary Inspector.—Increase recommended.

The meeting, having taken into consideration the question of the salary of Mr. Begg, the County Veterinary Inspector, unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council that his salary be increased from £550 to £600 per annum, as from 15th current.

The chairman, at the same time, took the opportunity of expressing, on behalf of the committee, their appreciation of the highly satisfactory manner in which Mr. Begg had carried out the work of the department, notwithstanding the depletion of the staff and the increased duties that had been laid upon him.

29th May, 1918.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACTS.

NOTES by the Veterinary Inspector on outbreaks of Anthrax which have occurred in the County during the period from March 1st, 1914, to April 30th, 1918, and including figures from January 1st, 1911.

No amendment of the Anthrax Order of 1910 has been made since my last report in March, 1914. Our procedure, which was given with some detail in that report, remains unaltered, though since January, 1915, the Board require inspectors to give increased details regarding each outbreak. Within the period referred to above (50 months) we have examined under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and the Anthrax Order, 1910, 1,154 carcases of animals, chiefly bovines, which had died and of which notice had been received in the usual way. Of these 116 proved to be cases of Anthrax giving a percentage of 10 positive and 90 negative cases.

We continue to send specimens of the blood from the carcase in every case diagnosed as Anthrax to the Chief Veterinary Officer at the Laboratory of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and no case has yet occurred in which his opinion has been at variance with that of the County Veterinary Inspector.

It is regrettable that, notwithstanding the great danger of human infection and the increased risk of spreading disease among lower animals that attach to the handling of suspected carcases, the percentage of cases in which the carcase is removed and exposed contrary to the Anthrax Order by forgetful, ignorant, or wilful owners remains too high. We are under the necessity of instructing owners and others who are at fault in this respect almost daily. Their desire to remove the dead from amongst the living at once, and before the Veterinary Inspector has had time to make his visit, is occasionally based on sentiment, but is more often due to a false conception of the manner in which the contagion of Anthrax is spread. It cannot be too clearly impressed upon stock-owners that Anthrax is not infectious in the same sense as diseases that are disseminated by atmospheric dispersion ; that susceptible subjects only contract the disease by direct contact and actual inoculation with blood or other material containing anthrax bacilli or their spores ; and that as the carcase of an animal which has died of the disease almost invariably and immediately after death shows some oozing of blood from all the natural openings (in many cases large quantities are voided before death), the certain soiling of its immediate surroundings and the risk to man that attends the handling of the cadaver are very great. In my last report I gave a note of the precautions we take when anything—such as the bleeding or handling of the carcase—has been done that is fraught with danger to the human subject, and it is gratifying that no case of infection of man has occurred in connection with any of our outbreaks in the past eight years.

Messrs. Alexander & Sons, of Omoa Knackery, continue to give good service in the expeditious removal and destruction in a digester of all anthrax carcases. Much of our success in limiting the infection in 96 per cent. of the outbreaks dealt with to the original case is due to the speedy removal of the carcases, infected clothing, &c., and to the efficient manner in which the disinfection of premises is carried out by the police officials who act as inspectors under the Order.

In spite of the fact that convincing circumstantial evidence continues to point to foreign feeding-stuffs as the medium which conveys the infection in almost all cases in this County, as in the whole of Great Britain, the bacteriological examination of suspected material has been almost entirely discontinued at the County Laboratory and elsewhere because the results have been constantly negative. Moreover, we are advised that little or no hope is entertained of ever getting positive results from the examination of meals or cakes, on account of the practical difficulties that attend any investigation that would be of sufficient magnitude to justify reliance being placed on any negative finding. Meals of various kinds and manufactured cakes are the constantly suspected materials in original bovine outbreaks, and they are essentially difficult to handle for the detection of anthrax spores. Compared with these food-stuffs, it is obvious that the examination of whole grain, which admits of concentrated washing, would be more likely to yield reliable results, and it was in the examination of imported oats that Sir John M'Fadyen on one occasion achieved success in proving food-contamination with anthrax spores. In nearly all our outbreaks we are forced to report, time after time, that "suspicion is attached to the imported artificial feeding-stuffs," and, though we regret the monotony, we will not be able to alter the terms of our expressed opinion regarding the etiology of most outbreaks until bacteriologists succeed in demonstrating the presence of the anthrax germs in the material from which the animals' rations have been made.

The following tables include the figures contained in my last report:—

TABLE 1.

QUARTERLY OCCURRENCE OF OUTBREAKS IN LANARKSHIRE.

	1st Quarter.	2nd Quarter.	3rd Quarter.	4th Quarter.	Total.
1911, ...	3	3	2	3	11
1912, ...	8	3	3	3	17
1913, ...	1	2	1	10	14
1914, ...	10	4	5	4	23
1915, ...	11	8	1	1	21
1916, ...	10	8	3	10	31
1917, ...	19	9	3	5	36
	62	37	18	36	153
1918, ...	5	April 1	—	—	6
					159

It will be noted that the number of cases occurring in the third quarter of the various years—the period when grass is good and the use of feeding-stuffs is lowest—is small compared with that of any other quarter, and is three and a-half times less than that of the first quarter, when the use of foreign cakes and meals reaches its maximum.

The distribution of the 159 outbreaks that have occurred from January 1st, 1911, to April 30th, 1918, according to the three wards of the County has been as follows:—

Upper Ward.	64	outbreaks.
Middle Ward, ...	75	,,
Lower Ward, ...	20	,,
	159	

Analysed according to the recognised and essentially grazing and non-grazing period of each year, the incidence of the disease is shown in the following table:—

TABLE 2.

NON-GRAZING PERIODS.

	Outbreaks.
From November 1st, 1911, to April 30th, 1912, ...	12
,, ,, 1912, ,, 1913, ...	3
,, ,, 1913, ,, 1914, ...	24
,, ,, 1914, ,, 1915, ...	15
,, ,, 1915, ,, 1916, ...	15
,, ,, 1916, ,, 1917, ...	29
,, ,, 1917, ,, 1918, ...	9
	107

NOTE.—The contrast between the number of outbreaks in the past six months ending April 30th and those of the winter months of the preceding four years is very marked.

There is little doubt that the fall has been due chiefly to the restricted importation and use of foreign feeding-stuffs that obtained during last winter, and the numbers may be expected to rise again when increased importation of grain is possible from countries in which anthrax is prevalent.

TABLE 3.

GRAZING PERIODS.

	Outbreaks.
From May 1st to October 31st, 1911, ...	6
,, ,, ,, 1912, ...	5
,, ,, ,, 1913, ...	4
,, ,, ,, 1914, ...	7
,, ,, ,, 1915, ...	7
,, ,, ,, 1916, ...	10
,, ,, ,, 1917, ...	10
	49

NOTE.—The apparent discrepancy of 3 outbreaks between the sum of the totals in Tables 2 and 3, compared with the total number of outbreaks in Table 1, is due to the fact that the former do not include the first quarter of 1911.

Of the 166 cases included in the 159 outbreaks, 53 occurred when the animal was fed with one kind of artificial food. In the remainder a mixture of food-stuffs had been in use.

TABLE 4.

Outbreaks associated with the use of only "One" artificial food-stuff occurred as follows:—

With Bean Meal, ...	in 16	cases.
,, Linseed Cake, ...	,, 7	,,
,, Bombay Cotton Cake, ...	,, 5	,,
,, Bibby's Cake or Meal, ...	,, 5	,,
,, Compound Cake, ...	,, 5	,,
,, Cotton Cake (other than Bombay), ...	,, 3	,,
,, Indian Pea Meal and Carnosine (each),	,, 2	,,
,, Dun Pea Meal. Gram, Eclipse Cake, ...	—	
,, Soya Cake, Barley Dust, Spencer Meal, ...	—	
,, Dairy Cake and Albion Calf Meal (each),	in 1	case.

TABLE 5.

This shows the relation to Anthrax outbreaks of the use of individual food-stuffs in combination with others (one or more). The rations consisted in part of:—

Bean Meal (various kinds), ...		in 61	outbreaks.
Linsed Cake, Meal, or Chaff, ...		„ 25	„
Pea Meal (various kinds), ...		„ 21	„
Bombay Cotton Cake,...		„ 17	„
Bibby's Cake or Meal, ...		„ 15	„
Compound Cake, ...		„ 14	„
Dairy Meal, ...		„ 11	„
Cotton Cake (not Bombay),...		„ 10	„
Soya Cake or Meal		„ 8	„
Carnosine, ...		„ 6	„
Lentil Meal and Offal, ...		„ 5	„
Eclipse Cake.		„ 4	„
Silcock's Meal or Cake, Albion Cake, ... Cocoanut Cake and Ground Nut Cake or Meal	(each),	„ 3	„
Gram, Scotia Cake, and Cream Equivalent (each), ...		„ 2	„
Main's Cake, Rice Meal, Rapeseed Cake Palm Kernel Cake, Indian Meal, ... Cummings and Paisley Meal, ...	(each), ...	„ 1	„

In only eight of the 166 cases was it declared by the owner that no artificial food had been supplied recently to the victim. In four of these instances there was a previous history of anthrax on the farm premises, which may have accounted for the recurrence of the disease, but in most cases the proof that the animals had no access to imported food-stuffs was not very convincing.

In no case have we found evidence that could indicate the use of bone manure as the medium of infection.

With one exception the cases have been confined to bovines. The exception was a Clydesdale mare, fed on home-grown materials, that was kept in a loosebox to which hens had access. Her death occurred four days after that of a cow whose carcase had been exposed outside for about two days, the throat having been cut, and the owner having reported the death by letter. The surroundings of the cow carcase were grossly polluted with blood, hens were seen about it and also in the loosebox, and no doubt the infection was directly carried by the hens to the mare's provender.

The 166 anthrax victims included queys (30), bulls (26), bullocks (11), cows $3\frac{1}{2}$ years old and under (25), cows 4 years old and over (73), and 1 Clydesdale mare.

Of the 159 outbreaks 135 have occurred on premises on which the disease had not hitherto been reported.

On two occasions the outbreak has involved three animals, and on four occasions two animals, so that in 96 per cent. of outbreaks only one animal has contracted infection.

On two occasions within the past ten years the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, by printed letter, has drawn the attention of Local Authorities to the probability of anthrax being a more common cause of death in sheep

than was shown by statistics, and emphasised the need for paying more attention to the investigation of sudden deaths in ovine animals. The matter was duly advertised, but the number of cases reported has been quite insignificant, and in none has anthrax been found to be the cause of death. But, it may be concluded that, if fatalities in sheep were compulsorily notifiable, as in the case of bovines, under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, we would be overwhelmed with the work of inspection. Fatalities amongst sheep exceed by far the deaths among cattle, and in the case of the former it is very seldom that the owner seeks the advice of a private veterinary surgeon. Nevertheless, sheep are known to be susceptible to the disease, and it would be well if more of the sudden deaths that occur among sheep, artificially fed with imported feeding-stuffs, were reported and investigated.

It will be recollected that at this time last year you made representations to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, as well as to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, relative to the abnormally high death-rate among cattle last spring, and particularly among valuable milch cows, many of which we considered were directly due to a sudden transition in diet from indoor feeding to grass, at a time when a change of weather led to luxuriant growth and the supply of winter food was about exhausted. It is gratifying to note that the Board of Agriculture for Scotland have kept the matter in view and published as a warning to stock-owners the essence of our report in agricultural and other papers, and some farmers have informed me that they are now acting on the advice given, and making changes in diet more gradual than before and therefore less irksome to their beasts.

PROSECUTIONS.

Several prosecutions have taken place under the Anthrax Order of 1910 and the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, and penalties varying from £2 to £20 have been imposed.

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

23rd May, 1918.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 29th May, 1918.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. — ADAM D. MACK.
WILLIAM BELL. — WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.

Mr. Thomson was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 27th February, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of the last meeting of the committee, he had granted renewals of licences under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, in the following cases, viz.:— — Cinematograph Act. — Renewals of licences.

Name and Address of Licensee.	Situation of Licensed Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
Mrs. S. Johnson & Sons, Worlds Fair, Oldham, Lancashire,	Moveable structure,	21st February, 1919.
Robert Bruce, 35 Lawrie Street, Stonehouse,	Public Hall, Stonehouse,	14th February, 1919.
Archibald and John M'Donald, West End, Baillieston,	Pavilion Picture House, Baillieston,	26th April, 1919.
William and James Lewis, 136 Paton Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow.	The Rink Picture Palace, Cambuslang,	20th April, 1919.
Peter Swallow, c/o Rene Clayton, The Hippodrome, Hamilton,	Moveable structure,	17th May, 1919.

The meeting approved.

Cinematograph Act.—Orange Hall, Newarthill.—Application for licence.

The Clerk submitted an application by Mr. William Menzies, 3 Neilson Street, Bellshill, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act, in respect of the Orange Hall, Newarthill. As relative thereto, the Clerk stated that the premises had been inspected by Superintendent Easton, who reported that the doors of the hall opened inwards, but that otherwise the premises appeared suitable. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to grant a licence, on condition that all the doors were made to open outwards.

War Charities Act.—Application for registration.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following application which he had received for registration under the War Charities Act, 1916, viz.:—

Prisoners of War Relief—The Cameronians, Scottish Rifles, Regular Battalions.

The meeting agreed to grant registration in the above case, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

War Charities Act.—Applications for exemption.

There were also submitted the following applications for exemption under the War Charities Act, viz.:—

Lanarkshire Constabulary Sports—in aid of Red Cross and War Work Parties in Lanarkshire.

Local War Charities—Cambuslang District.

Children's Concert in Overtown Public School—in aid of Red Cross.

Effort in aid of Overtown, Waterloo, and Castlehill Work Party.

Wiston and Roberton Women's War Work Party—Whist Drive at Wiston.

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Uddingston Hillpark Entertainment Committee.

Whist Drive and Dance at Dolphinton—in aid of funds for parcels for soldiers from that district.

Haywood War Work Party.

Funds derived from Social and Dance at Quarter—to purchase parcels for soldiers.

Carmyle Soldiers' and Sailors' Comforts Fund.

Holytown District Soldiers' and Sailors' Presentation Fund.

Sale of Work at Stepps U.F. Church—in aid of Blind and Limbless Soldiers.

Dance at Auchengray—to purchase comforts for soldiers.

Whist Drive and Dance at Lamington—in aid of Railway Benevolent Institution.

Flag Day at Baillieston—in aid of Railway Benevolent Institution.

Carluke Y.M.C.A. Flag Day—in aid of Recreation Huts for the W.A.A.C. in France.

Effort at Carmunnock—in aid of British Red Cross Society (Scottish Branch).

Flag Day in Chryston district—in aid of British Red Cross Society (Scottish Branch).

Effort in Mount Vernon district—in aid of British Red Cross Society.

The Gartness Soldiers' Fund.

Concert at Glenmavis—in aid of Discharged Soldier.

Concert at Muirhead—in aid of Catholic Huts for Soldiers.

Effort in Holytown district—in aid of British Red Cross Society (Scottish Branch).

Fête at Mossend—in aid of British Red Cross Society (Scottish Branch).

Concerts, Sports, &c., at Wiston and Roberton, 13th to 20th July, 1918—in aid of Red Cross.

Effort at Harthill—in aid of Red Cross.

Flag Day—in aid of Smyllum Orphanage, Lanark.

Efforts at Douglas and Glespin—in aid of Red Cross Week.

Auchengeich Wanderers Juvenile Football Club—Benefit Match.

The meeting, having considered the applications above referred to, agreed to grant exemption in each case.

The Clerk reported the result of a prosecution as follows:— Result of prosecution.

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Mrs. Janet Gardiner or Cook, Townfoot, Douglas,	Refreshment By-laws.—Contravention,	Pled guilty and admonished.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had granted special permits under the Band By-laws in the following cases, viz.:— Band By-laws.—Special permits.

1. Bellshill Pipe Band (per Thomas Bissett, Cross Mansions, Bellshill)—Applicable for six months within the County.
2. Dalziel Highland Pipe Band (per T. M. Macfarlane, 29 Draffan Street, Motherwell)—Applicable for six months within the County.
3. High Blantyre and District Pipe Band (per William M'Kenzie, 1 Herbertson Street, Blantyre)—Applicable within the Parish of Blantyre for six months.
4. The Tarbrax Brass Band (per D. M. Miller, 209 Tarbrax, Cobbinshaw)—Applicable within the Parish of Carnwath for six months.
5. Douglas Water and District Pipe Band (per James C. Welsh, Liberty Cottage, Douglas Water)—Applicable within the County for six months.
6. Gartsherrie Silver Instrumental Prize Band (per Alfred Davidson, 312 Cornish Road, Coatbridge)—Applicable within the County for six months.
7. Motherwell League of the Cross Silver Band (per J. Marshall, 132 Calder Street, Motherwell)—Applicable within the County for six months.
8. Coatbridge Prize Pipe Band (per William Young, 27c Sunnyside Road, Coatbridge)—Applicable within the County for six months.
9. Coalburn Rechabite Pipe and Drum Band (per James Hamilton, jun., Gall Cottage, Coalburn)—Applicable within the County for six months.

10. Coatbridge Silver Instrumental Prize Band (per Hugh Thom, 16 Weir Street, Coatbridge)—Applicable within the County for six months.

11. Coatbridge Boys' Brigade Brass Band (per Hugh Thom, 16 Weir Street, Coatbridge)—Applicable within the County for six months.

12. Newarthill Pipe Band (per Samuel T. Ritchie, 94 High Street, Newarthill)—Applicable within the County for six months.

13. Mossend Boys' Guild Brass Band (per John M'Guire, 15 Reform Place, Chapel Street, Mossend)—Applicable within the County for six months.

Retail Businesses (Licensing) Order, 1918.—Communication from Under-Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk laid before the meeting communications from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, of dates 4th and 18th April, 1918, on the subject of the Retail Businesses (Licensing) Order, 1918, suggesting that the Inspectors under the Shops Acts be asked to report to the Regional Office of the Ministry of National Service any information they may have as to (*a*) retail shops recently opened, and (*b*) others about to be opened, and such other information as may assist the Ministry in the administration of the Order. The meeting agreed that the Inspectors under the Shops Acts should, so far as possible, assist the Ministry of National Service in the direction indicated, and instructed accordingly.

Early Closing of Shops (Scotland) Order.—Continuation.

There was submitted a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, dated 29th April, 1918, transmitting copy of an Order made under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, continuing from 1st May, 1918, to 30th September, 1918, both days inclusive, the Early Closing of Shops (Scotland) Order, 1917, the terms of which the Clerk explained to the meeting.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 29th May, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Gardner.
Gilbert Hamilton.
John Hurll.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.
David Thomson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 27th February, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the County Medical Officer, dated 10th May, 1918, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Venereal Diseases Scheme.—Communication from County Medical Officer.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 10th May, 1918.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Venereal Diseases Scheme—County and Burgh.

"In carrying out the Scheme for diagnosis and treatment approved by the Local Government Board, I have from time to time had meetings with Burgh Health Officers, and when we came to discuss propoganda work we agreed that it would be very desirable to have a joint Consultative Committee, made up, say, of the Chairman of the Public Health Committee, the Clerk, and the Medical Officer of Health for each area.

"As the County Council afford facilities for diagnosis in the laboratory, I think it would be desirable to have representatives from the County Public

Health Committee. If this is approved, a joint-meeting would be convened about the end of May or beginning of June. It may not be necessary to meet more than once a year, but it might be desirable to get affiliated with the National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases. This is a very influential body, with headquarters in London, and the cost involved in becoming members of a Branch Council amounts only to 5s. a year Annual Subscription, and all the literature published by the National Council is made available.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Chairman of the Committee, along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to be the representatives on a Joint Consultative Committee for the County and including the Burghs.

Congress of Incorporated Sanitary Association at Stirling.—Delegates appointed.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter, dated 12th April, 1918, from the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the 44th Annual Congress of the Association to be held at Stirling on the 4th, 5th, and 6th September next. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to appoint the following to attend the Congress, viz.:—

J. Raeside Auld.	William Love.
Robert Lambie.	Alexander Pillans.

along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Staffing arrangements.—Letter from County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from the County Medical Officer on the subject of staffing arrangements, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 27th May, 1918.

"DEAR SIR THOMAS,

"STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS.

"There has been considerable commotion in the medical profession during the past six weeks or so, and I am not yet sure as to how it will all end. Meanwhile one of the Middle Ward Staff, Dr. Sutherland, of Stonehouse Sanatorium, has been taken for Military Service, and I am endeavouring to establish Child Welfare work in the Upper Ward, for which I require some medical help. This medical help has so far been provided on a County basis, and if it is to continue I would suggest, for the consideration of the Public Health Committee, that Dr. Alexander T. A. Gourlay, of Lanark, and Dr. John Harrison, of Lesmahagow, should be asked to take charge of the respective Centres when they are established, at a salary, say, about £25 per annum. This would enable the Centres to be established and opened on an early date, but it would require the approval of the Local Government Board before these temporary appointments are made. I may say that Dr. Gourlay is a young man of military age, while Dr. Harrison is older, and both are required in their respective areas.

"I am, &c.,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

The meeting unanimously agreed to appoint temporarily Dr. Alexander T. A. Gourlay, Lanark, and Dr. John Harrison, Lesmahagow, to take charge of the Maternity Service and Child Welfare Centres at Lanark and Lesmahagow, respectively, so soon as these are established, at a salary of £25 per annum each.

The Clerk was instructed to make the necessary intimations to the Local Government Board and to the District Committee.

Pollution of streams in Coalburn District.—Complaint by farmers.

There was submitted and read to the meeting a communication signed by farmers in the Coalburn district of the County, complaining of the continued pollution of streams in that area. The County Medical Officer having informed the meeting of the steps which had been taken consequent upon a previous complaint, the meeting agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Alexander Morton, Stepps Farm, Stepps	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 9 per cent.	After proof, Sheriff dismissed complaint.
Andrew Cochrane, Ltd., 80 Main Street, Baillieston	Coffee—not genuine	Pled guilty and fined £2.
Robert Little, Oldtown, Braehead, Carnwath	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 10 per cent.	After proof, Sheriff found charge not proven.
Matthew Kerr, Newhouse Farm, by Holytown	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 6 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £8 or 20 days.
Do.	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 1 per cent.	
Do.	Skimmed milk—deficient in milk solids 4 per cent.	
Do.	Cream—contained 5 per cent. of added water	
John M'Kenzie, Turdees Farm, by Holytown	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 6 per cent. and in milk solids 8 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £5 or 20 days.
Archibald Baird, Goodoakhill Farm, by Holytown	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 14 per cent. and in milk solids 3 per cent.	Respondent died.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 29th May, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
John Campbell.
Gilbert Hamilton.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Peter MacAuslan.
Alexander Pillans.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
William Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Firemaster.

Appointment of chairman of committee.

The chairmanship of the committee having been rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. Fenton from the County Council, Mr. Pillans moved that Mr. Wilson be appointed chairman of the committee, which was seconded by Mr. Lambie and unanimously agreed to. Mr. Wilson thereupon took the chair, and thanked the committee.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th July, 1916, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Report by County Firemaster.

There was submitted and read a report by the County Firemaster, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Chief Constable's Office,
"Hamilton, N.B., May 28th, 1918.

"Gentlemen,

"During the period from 1st January, 1918, to date, the number of fires to which the Brigade has been called in the County is 50. This is an increase of 9 over the same period last year. Of the 50 fires, 13 occurred in January, 3 in February, 8 in March, 15 in April, and 11 in May. The estimated value of property destroyed by these fires is £9,306 10s., as compared with £35,182 for the same period last year. The causes of these 50 fires can all be accounted for, except in 4 cases, and these were very small fires, the estimated value of the property destroyed only amounting to £485.

"In consequence of members of the Brigade having been called to the Army, I have been unable to keep up the authorised strength. Before the war the strength stood at 64 constables and 26 civilians—now I have only 49 constables and 17 civilians. This necessitates a very great amount of extra work having to be undertaken by the members left, particularly at hay-stack and fires of that nature.

"The question of exchanging the fire tender stationed at Cambuslang for a motor pump is one that I suggest you should consider. I do not propose that this be done at present, but the matter may be so dealt with that, at the end of the war, the exchange could be effected. Often the want of a motor pump has been felt where the firemen are called to an area where a good gravitation water supply is not available.

"With the approval of the chairman of your committee, the two mechanics have been paid the same war bonus that the constables have received. I shall be glad to have the approval of the committee now to this.

"I am, Gentlemen,

"Your obedient Servant,

"H. J. DESPARD, Captain,
"*Firemaster.*"

Question of exchanging fire tender at Cambuslang for motor pump.

The meeting agreed to delay, for further consideration, the question of exchanging the fire tender stationed at Cambuslang for a motor pump.

War bonus to mechanics.

The meeting approved of the action of the Firemaster in paying the two mechanics the same war bonus as that paid to police constables.

Services of County Fire Brigade.—Letter from Clerk to Eastern District Committee of Dunbartonshire.

There was submitted and read a letter, dated 19th February, 1918, from the Clerk to the Eastern District Committee of Dunbartonshire, inquiring whether the County Council were willing to make the services of the County Brigade available in two areas, viz.:—(1) An area surrounding the Burgh of Milngavie; and (2) the detached portion of Dunbartonshire, as delineated upon a map submitted to the meeting, and, if so, upon what terms. The meeting, having heard the views of the Chief Constable, instructed the Clerk to reply that this committee saw no difficulty in affording, on reasonable terms, as good fire protection to the two portions of Dunbartonshire referred to as is given to Lanarkshire as a whole; and that, if so desired, this committee would be glad to meet with representatives of Dunbartonshire to discuss the question of terms.

Services of Glasgow Fire Brigade at fire in Rutherglen.—Letter from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"The Corporation of Glasgow,
"City Chambers, Glasgow, 3rd May, 1918.

"Dear Sir,

"Fire Brigade.

"I beg to inform you that the Fire Brigade Committee of the Corporation, at a recent meeting, had under consideration a letter from the Treasurer, directing attention to (1) the refusal of the County Council of Lanark to pay an account, amounting to £51 19s. 5d., rendered against them for the attendance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade at a fire in Rutherglen, in March, 1917, in respect that the call to the Brigade was not given by a County official; and (2) a report by the Firemaster on the subject-matter. From the latter, it appears that the Glasgow Brigade was summoned through one of

their street fire alarms, and three detachments of the Brigade were turned out to the fire, which was in the premises of Messrs. Andrew Robertson & Son, Limited, outwith the city boundary. The Firemaster, in addition to lending valuable assistance at the fire in question, posted the men of one of his detachments on the roofs of one of the adjacent large works belonging to Messrs. Stewarts and Lloyds and Messrs. James Eadie & Son. These men extinguished over a dozen small fires there, which were caused by pieces of burning material being carried over by the high wind, and, but for the presence of the Glasgow men on the roofs of the works referred to, these premises would undoubtedly have been set on fire, and serious loss sustained. Through the efforts, however, of the County Fire Brigade and the Glasgow Brigade, the fire was confined to the works of Messrs. Andrew Robertson & Son.

"The Fire Brigade Committee, after a very full consideration of the whole circumstances of this case, as also of the refusal of the County Authorities to pay for the attendance of the Brigade at a fire in the works of the Clyde Paper Company, Limited, Rutherglen, in February, 1914, agreed to recommend that, in view of the refusal of the County Authorities to pay the accounts above referred to, and the unsatisfactory position taken up by them in refusing to pay for the attendance of the Glasgow Brigade at fires in the County area unless a call for their services is made by a County official, the present arrangements for the attendance of the Brigade in that area be terminated. The Corporation, at their meeting yesterday, unanimously approved of this recommendation, and, in terms thereof, I beg formally to intimate to you that the arrangement for the attendance of the Glasgow Brigade at fires in the County area is now terminated.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"J. LINDSAY."

Explanation by Clerk.

The Clerk explained to the meeting that the difference between the two Authorities appeared to be that, while the Corporation contended that the County Council should make a payment to them equal in amount to that recoverable by them from the proprietor of the premises in connection with which a fire had taken place, and which had been attended by the City Fire Brigade, irrespective as to who made the call, the County Council, on the other hand, considered that they should be asked to make a payment only in cases where the assistance of the City Brigade had been called by the County Firemaster or by some person possessing authority to make such a call. The meeting, after consideration, and having expressed their views on the matter, instructed the Clerk to make a suitable reply to the Town-Clerk.

Account for services of Renfrewshire Fire Brigade at fire at Dripps Mill, Busby.

There was submitted a letter, dated 26th April, 1918, from the Clerk to the Upper District Committee of the County of Renfrew, enclosing an account, amounting to £12 17s. 6d., for the services of their Fire Brigade at a fire which occurred at Dripps Mill, Busby, belonging to Messrs. William Alexander & Son. The meeting, having heard a statement by the Firemaster, authorised the Clerk to make payment of the account.

Fire hydrant placed at Lambhill.

The Clerk reported that, on the recommendation of the Firemaster, he had made arrangements with the Lower Ward District Committee for having a fire hydrant placed at Lambhill. The meeting approved.

Fire hydrants in Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill. — Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk stated that he had also been in communication with the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, with regard to the placing of hydrants at certain points in the villages of Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill, and

he submitted a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee on the subject, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 22nd November, 1917.

"Dear Sir,

"Hydrants for Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill.

"I had an opportunity of submitting to the Water Committee, yesterday, your letter, of the 8th ultimo, asking that their Engineer should arrange with Captain Despard for the placing of hydrants on the Middle Ward Water mains which pass through the above villages. The committee expressed themselves as anxious to assist in the matter, although, of course, as you no doubt recognise, the proposal is not one contemplated by the statutory provisions regulating such matters. It was agreed, after hearing a report from the Water Engineer, that the District Committee should arrange for the installation of the fire hydrants desired, subject to the following conditions:—

(1) That the whole expense of and connected with the installation will be repaid to the District Committee;

(2) That the expense of maintenance will likewise be repaid to the District Committee;

(3) That the hydrants will not be used for practice purposes in connection with fire extinguishing;

(4) That an annual payment of £3 will be made for each hydrant, which payment will include any water that may be used for fire extinguishing purposes; and

(5) It is to be fully understood that the arrangement is not made under or covered by any statutory provisions, and that the District Committee, accordingly, are not subject to any statutory requirements or penalties, such as would apply in the ordinary case.

"On hearing that the foregoing conditions are agreed to, I shall instruct the Water Engineer to arrange the matter with Captain Despard.

"Yours faithfully,
"W. E. WHYTE.

"*P.S.*—In reporting on the matter, the Water Engineer says: 'I understand that two hydrants, one in each village, have been spoken of as sufficient. In any case, four would prove fairly satisfactory. The cost of inserting each hydrant is estimated at about £7 10s.'"

The meeting, after discussion, agreed generally to the conditions stated in the above letter, but demurred to the payment referred to in condition No. 4.

Inspection of Fire Brigade Stations.

On the motion of Mr. Campbell, it was agreed that the members of the committee should make an inspection of the Fire Brigade Stations in the County, and it was remitted to the Chairman and the Clerk to fix a convenient date for the inspection.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 19th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 19th June, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
James Cameron.
John P. Campbell.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
John P. Kinghorn.
Robert Lambie.
Peter MacAuslan.
Colonel King Stewart.
David Thomson.
William Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th May, 1918, having been read to the meeting, were approved of. Minutes of last meeting.

Services of County Fire Brigade at fires in areas in Dunbartonshire.

The meeting having further considered the question of the terms upon which the services of the County Fire Brigade might be made available in the two areas of Dunbartonshire referred to in the minutes of last meeting, there were introduced the following representatives of the Eastern District Committee of Dunbartonshire, viz.:—Messrs. D. Dunbar, Macdonald, Crawford Scott, and R. R. Speirs, along with Mr. J. F. Robertson, Clerk to the committee.

After discussion and interchange of views, the chairman indicated that this committee were prepared to recommend that the services of the County Fire Brigade should be made available within the two portions referred to, on payment by Dunbartonshire of a retaining fee of £100 per annum, in addition to the actual cost involved in attending fires, it being, of course, clearly understood that the fire engines and appliances would only be available when not engaged at fires within the County of Lanark.

The Clerk to the Dunbartonshire District Committee stated that he would report the matter to his District Committee, and having thanked the committee for receiving them, the deputation thereafter withdrew.

Inspection of Fire Brigade Stations.—Report by Chairman.

The chairman reported that, as arranged at last meeting, an inspection of the Fire Brigade Stations in the County had taken place on Friday, 14th current, and that the members of the committee were thoroughly satisfied with the excellent condition in which the Fire Stations were kept.

Pay to auxiliary firemen and others when attending fires.—Increase.

The Clerk submitted and read the following letter which he had received from the County Firemaster, viz.:—

"Chief Constable's Office,
"Hamilton, N.B., June 17th, 1918.

"Gentlemen,

"Since the last meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee, the auxiliary firemen at Larkhall have asked for an increase in their pay for

attending fires, the grounds being that when they are called out in the day time the pay they receive for attending fires is not equal to what they would have received had they been at their ordinary work. They quote the special case of a fire at Broomfield Pit, for which they received 9s., and one fireman mentions that he lost 12s., which he would have earned had he not been a fireman, being a nett loss of 3s. It is very seldom that auxiliary firemen attend fires during the day, and I think it would be quite fair to raise their pay for the duration of the war for the second and succeeding hours, the present pay being 4s. for the first hour and 1s. for each succeeding hour.

"I have the honour to be,

"GENTLEMEN,

"Your obedient Servant,

"H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
"*Firemaster.*"

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that, when attending fires, all auxiliary firemen, including the Fire Instructor and members of the Police Force not on duty, be paid 4s. for the first hour and 2s. for each succeeding hour—this arrangement to continue during the war.

Letter from Messrs. Allan, Whyte, & Co.

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 5th June, 1918, from Messrs. Allan, Whyte, & Co., Clyde Patent Wire Rope Works, Rutherglen, in whose premises a serious fire occurred recently, inquiring as to the relations now existing between the County Fire Brigade and the City of Glasgow Fire Brigade. The Clerk having read the reply which he had made to the Company, the meeting approved, and agreed to leave the matter in his hands.

Services of Glasgow Fire Brigade.—Reply to letter from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted and read the following draft letter which he proposed to send to the Town-Clerk, Glasgow, in reply to his communication referred to in the minutes of last meeting, viz.:—

"DEAR SIR,

"FIRE BRIGADES.

"I submitted to a recent meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council your letter of 3rd May, when they instructed me to make the following observations in the matter to which it refers:—

"My committee are of opinion that the decision of your committee has been arrived at under a misapprehension of the circumstances, and they desire to make it quite clear that the County have not in any case declined to make a payment towards the expenses incurred by the Corporation in connection with fires in the County area attended by the City Fire Brigade where the call had been made by the County Firemaster or by any person authorised to make such a call. They respectfully submit, however, that it is unreasonable that the County should be asked to make a payment in cases where the call has been made by some unauthorised person.

"With regard to the particular case referred to in your letter, it would appear that the call was made by an employee of the firm, to whom the premises in which the outbreak of fire took place belonged, and, as the committee are advised by the Firemaster that, had such a call not been made, he would himself have requisitioned the services of the City Fire Brigade, they have authorised me to make payment of the account rendered by you in connection with it.

"In the view of my committee the point of difference is one in regard to which there should be no difficulty in coming to an understanding. I need hardly say that my committee are desirous that the friendly relations which have hitherto existed between the City and the County in connection with Fire Brigade services should continue, and I am to express the hope that the Corporation will reconsider the matter.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"County Clerk."

The meeting approved of the terms of the draft letter, and instructed the Clerk to transmit the same to the Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

The meeting at the same time remitted to the Chairman of the Committee, the County Firemaster, and the Clerk, to take such further steps as may be considered advisable with a view to arriving at an amicable arrangement with the Glasgow Authorities in the matter.

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JOINT-COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT AFTER THE WAR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th May, 1918, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee appointed by the County Council on the subject of Rural Development after the War. 29th May, 1918.

Present—

William Bell.	James C. Pollok.
William Gardner.	Colonel King Stewart.
John Hurll.	William Sym.
W. K. Jackson.	William Templeton.
William Love.	David Thomson.
A. D. Mack.	William Wilson.

Colonel King Stewart was appointed Chairman of the Joint-Committee, and took the chair. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit from the County Council to the Joint-Committee, which was in the following terms:— Remit to joint-committee.

"The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication addressed "by Mr. Addison, Minister of Reconstruction, to Colonel King Stewart, "Convener of the County, dated 4th February, 1918, relating to the "problem of rural development after the War, a copy of which had been "sent to each member of the Council. In this connection there was also "submitted a communication from the Rural Transport (Scotland) "Committee, dated 1st March, 1918, regarding the question of transport "facilities in rural areas. The meeting, after consideration, remitted to "a Joint-Committee, consisting of the Executive Committee and the "General Purposes Committee, to deal with the communications."

The Clerk submitted the following communications (Appendices I, II, and III), copies of which had been sent to each member of the Joint-Committee, viz.:— Communications submitted.

Communication addressed by the Minister of Reconstruction to the Convener of the County, dated 4th February, 1918;

Communication from the Ministry of Reconstruction, dated 19th March, 1918;

Communication from the Rural Transport (Scotland) Committee, dated 1st March, 1918.

Agreed that whole problem be dealt with by joint-committee of County Council and of District Committees.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed that, as the subject-matter remitted to them involved questions with which the District Committees were intimately concerned, the whole problem might be more appropriately dealt with by a Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the various District Committees. The Clerk was accordingly instructed to communicate with the several District Committees, inviting them to appoint representatives.

APPENDIX I.

COPY COMMUNICATION ADDRESSED BY MR. C. ADDISON, MINISTRY OF RECONSTRUCTION, TO COLONEL KING STEWART, CONVENER OF THE COUNTY.

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2 Queen Anne's Gate Buildings
Westminster, S.W.1, 4th February, 1918.

MY DEAR SIR,

I have to request you to be good enough to bring to the notice of your Council the fact that, at the present time, this Department is engaged in considering proposals relating to the problem of Rural Development in the United Kingdom after the cessation of hostilities. In this connection, I should be glad to have an opportunity of examining any scheme which your Council may feel disposed to submit to me.

The inquiry that is now being undertaken covers a wide field, and embraces various questions arising on the improvement of agriculture, horticulture, forestry, and rural industries, as well as the amelioration of the social condition and general welfare of rural communities, and the provision of the necessities, comforts, and amenities of country life. I desire, therefore, to suggest the co-operation of your Council with this Department in the manner indicated, and I shall be glad to give careful consideration to the details of any scheme dealing with the above matters which may commend itself to your Council as being at once practicable and calculated to promote the objects in view.

Yours sincerely,

C. ADDISON.

APPENDIX II.

COPY.

MINISTRY OF RECONSTRUCTION.
2 QUEEN ANNE'S GATE BUILDINGS,
WESTMINSTER, S.W. 1.
19th March, 1918.

SIR,

I am directed by the Minister of Reconstruction to refer to the communication addressed by him to the Chairman of your Council on February 4th regarding the problem of Rural Development. The object of that letter was to secure to this Department the opportunity of having before them any suggestion which your Council might be in a position to formulate in regard to the problem in question. I am to state, that in the opinion of the Minister, it may be of assistance to your Council to have a brief statement indicating the kind of information which he is hoping to acquire as a result of the letter referred to.

In the first place, the Minister is anxious to make it clear that he would not have felt entitled to urge your Council to institute fresh enquiries into matters which would not otherwise have formed the subject of investigation by them at the present time. I am further to state that the Minister fully realises that the pressure of work now falling upon the diminished staff of County Councils will not admit of their drawing up a detailed and elaborate statement of the lines on which they would wish to see rural development proceed. Your Council will, no doubt, recognise that completed schemes of rural development may involve proposals for some readjustment of financial obligations and local responsibilities. In such circumstances Government action could be taken only after careful consultation with the several Local Authorities and Departments concerned, and as the result of a comprehensive survey of the problem as a whole.

It is, however, in the Minister's opinion, desirable that the limitations thus imposed by the circumstances of the time and by considerations of policy should not hinder the compilation and comparison of views which Councils may be able to put forward by reason of their practical experience and their knowledge of the special requirements of their areas. I am therefore to state that he would welcome any suggestions which they may communicate to him, for the consideration of this Department in concert with the other departments interested in the subject-matter. The kind of questions on which the Minister would be glad to receive such suggestions would include the following:—

(*a*) the provision and extension of Small Holdings;
(*b*) improved methods of Agricultural Organisation and Credit for Small Holders;
(*c*) Land Settlement Colonies;
(*d*) the provision and improvement of Rural Housing;
(*e*) the extension and improvement of Rural Transport (by road, light railway, or water);
(*f*) areas available for Afforestation;
(*g*) Reclamation of Waste Land;
(*h*) the Drainage of Land; and
(*i*) the development of existing forms of Rural Industry or the encouragement of new forms;

in so far as these topics or any of them may have come under the consideration of your Council in the performance of the duties assigned to them.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

VAUGHAN NASH.

THE CLERK TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

APPENDIX III.

COPY.

RURAL TRANSPORT (SCOTLAND) COMMITTEE,
29 ST. ANDREW SQUARE,
EDINBURGH, 1*st March*, 1918.

SIR,

I am directed to inform you that a Committee has been appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to consider and report upon:—

(*a*) The rural areas in Scotland which are most in need of transport facilities for the promotion of agriculture, forestry, and other rural industries.

(*b*) The means of improving communication in these areas with special reference to new or improved roads, light and narrow gauge railways, and motor transport, including any consequential modification of existing steamer services.

In order to assist them in their consideration of these questions, the Committee will be glad to receive from Local Authorities statements setting forth any views they may hold as to the need for provision of improved transport facilities in their districts for the purposes mentioned above, and giving particulars of any proposals they may have for meeting this need by construction or improvement of roads, provision of motor services, construction of light railways, &c.

The Committee would be glad if you will bring the matter before your Committee at the earliest opportunity, and they would suggest that, in considering the matter and in preparing any proposals, your Committee should act in consultation and in co-operation with the Executive Agricultural Committee for the District, and with any other local bodies interested in the improvement of transport facilities and the development of rural industries.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. N. M'WILLIAM,
Secretary.

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PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 5th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 5th June, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.
William Bell.
George Fraser.
William Love.
Adam D. Mack.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Templeton.

Mr. Fraser was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

Mr. Fraser was unanimously re-appointed chairman of the committee. — Appointment of chairman of committee.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 27th March, 1918, and of the Joint Sub-Committee on the Motherwell Water (Supplementary Supply) Provisional Order, of date 20th March, 1918, which had already been submitted to the County Council and approved, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting of committee.

The Clerk reported that an Inquiry into the Motherwell Water (Supplementary Supply) Provisional Order had taken place in the Justiciary Buildings, Glasgow, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 11th, 12th, and 13th May last, before a Commission, consisting of Sir John Ainsworth, Bart., M.P. (chairman), the Earl of Moray, Lord Lamington, and Mr. G. W. Currie, M.P. After evidence had been led, the preamble of the Order had been found proved, but, in intimating the decision, the chairman had stated that the Commission found the preamble proved only because of the special circumstances of national emergency, and that they considered the Order should not be regarded as a precedent. — Inquiry into Motherwell (Supplementary Supply) Provisional Order.

The Clerk had appeared at the Inquiry along with Mr. Whyte, District Clerk, and had been able to get suitable clauses inserted in the Order for the protection of the County's interests on the lines laid down in the minutes of the Joint Sub-Committee, of 20th March, 1918.

An agreement providing for the Town Council giving a satisfactory supply of water to the Middle Ward District Committee, from the new source on satisfactory terms, had also been entered into between the District Committee and Motherwell Town Council, and scheduled to the Order.

Proportional Representation.

The Clerk also reported that he had, along with the Chairman and Mr. Lambie, attended before the Sheriff at the Inquiry, on 9th April last, regarding the proposal to apply the principle of Proportional Representation to the Lanarkshire constituencies. As the meeting were no doubt aware, Parliament had now decided against the application of Proportional Representation to Lanarkshire.

Increased tramway fares.

With reference to the increase of tramway fares on the Lanarkshire Tramways Company's system, the Clerk laid before the meeting a table which he had received from Mr. Moller, showing the reduction in the lengths of certain fare stages, and also tables of the amended fares. Copies of these had already been issued to the members of the committee.

After considering the information submitted, and receiving explanations from the Clerk as to the legal right of the Company to raise fares at their own hand, the committee were of opinion that it was not expedient to take any action in the matter, as the new fares appeared on the whole to be within the statutory limit of ½d. per half mile imposed on the Company by their private Acts. The committee, however, agreed that the Clerk should take up with the Company any cases of hardship which might be caused to sections of the public by the closing or altering of fare stages, and further instructed him to satisfy himself as to the right of the Company to alter fares without the Council's approval on the portions of the tramways leased from the County Council.

Accident on Lanarkshire tramways.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. Alexander Jaap, 113 Main Street, Bellshill, stating that, at a public meeting held in the Orange Hall, Bellshill, on 14th March last, a resolution had been passed protesting against a decision given by Lord Ormidale, in an action at the instance of Mrs. Mary Francey against the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, in respect of injuries sustained by her late husband while travelling on one of the Company's cars. The meeting had also decided that they ask the County Council to see to it that the Lanarkshire tramway cars ceased running until they were made safer to the travelling public.

A print of the decision of Lord Ormidale, as contained in the *Scots Law Times*, Volume 1. 1918, page 224, was submitted to the meeting, and the Clerk explained the general grounds of the Judge's decision.

After a general discussion, the committee decided that the suggestion to have the running of the cars suspended could not be entertained. In view, however, of criticisms by various members of the committee on the condition of the Company's system and the manner in which the cars were being run, it was agreed to invite representatives of the Company to a conference with the committee, to discuss how far the matters complained of could be remedied.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 3rd July, 1918, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 3rd July, 1918.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. A. D. MACK.
GEORGE FRASER. GAVIN SHANKS.
ROBERT LAMBIE. JOSEPH SULLIVAN, M.B.E.
WILLIAM LOVE. WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER, M.B.E.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 5th June, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that the Education (Scotland) Bill had now been reintroduced in the House of Commons and read a second time, and was expected to be in Committee on Tuesday, 9th current. Since the Bill had been last before the County Council considerable amendments and additions had been made upon it, and in anticipation of this meeting the Clerk had prepared further notes on the Bill (Appendix), copies of which had been sent out to members previous to this meeting. The principal alterations were that the Bill now provided for the election of an *ad hoc* Local Education Authority, the County being retained as the area; for the substitution for District Education Committees of School Management Committees; for elections being conducted on the principle of proportional representation; and for the adoption of the parish as the unit for rating. So far as the Local Education Authority and its area were concerned, the views of the County Council had thus been given effect to. Education (Scotland) Bill.

The committee, having considered the Bill, agreed to recommend that the following further amendments should be made upon it:—

Clause 2.—That before the boundaries of electoral divisions are finally fixed an opportunity should be given, by means of local inquiry or otherwise, for an expression of local opinion thereon.

Clause 12.—That the deficiency in the Education Fund should be met by a County rate levied, as proposed by the original Bill, on the gross valuation of all lands and heritages in the County.

Clause 19.—That the Advisory Council should contain representatives of the Scottish Local Education Authorities.

Clause 20.—That, as previously recommended by the County Council, not less than 60 per cent. of the approved expenditure of the Local Education Authority should be defrayed from State funds.

Otherwise the committee approved generally of the provisions of the Bill, including the proposals for the constitution of School Management Committees, and for voting at elections being according to the principle of proportional representation.

In view of the Bill being in Committee on such an early date, it was remitted to the Chairman and Clerk to lay the views of the committee before the Scottish Office, and to watch the progress of the Bill before the Committee.

3rd July, 1918.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTES ON EDUCATION (SCOTLAND) BILL, 1918.

PRELIMINARY.

Since the Education (Scotland) Bill was last before the Committee, the Government have had the advantage of criticism of the measure by Educational and Local Authorities and Institutions, and by members of the public. That criticism has been principally directed to the constitution of the new Local Education Authorities, and to the area for which the Education Authority is to be elected. As the result of further consideration in the light of the arguments adduced by the various critics, the Bill has been re-cast, and important amendments have been made upon it. The principal alterations have been the concession to the advocates of the *ad hoc* principle; the substitution for District Education Committees of School Management Committees; the provision that elections are to be conducted on the principle of Proportional Representation; and the adoption of the Parish as the unit for rating. Although much criticism was directed to the area of the proposed Local Education Authorities, on this point the Government have remained firm, and in all cases, with the exception of the five burghs of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Dundee, and Leith, the County has been retained as the area. The Bill, as amended, was introduced by the Secretary for Scotland in the House of Commons on 18th June, 1918, and was read for the second time on 26th June, 1918. It is expected to be in Committee on Tuesday next. While many of the provisions of the new Bill are identical with those of the old Bill, certain of the clauses have been considerably altered, and others have been re-grouped, so that it may be useful to again summarise the provisions of the Bill.

The Bill is divided into nine sections. Clauses 1 to 5 deal with the constitution of the Local Education Authorities; Clauses 5 to 12 regulate the powers and duties of the new Authorities, and provide for their expenses; Clauses 13 to 16 relate to the extension of the school age, continuation classes, and the employment of children and young persons; Clause 17 provides for the transfer of voluntary and denominational schools; Clause 18 empowers the Secretary for Scotland to transfer to the Education Department his powers with regard to reformatory and industrial schools; Clause 19 provides for the setting up of an Advisory Council to confer or advise the Education Department; Clause 20 deals with education grants; Clauses 21 to 25 relate to the elections and proceedings of Local Education Authorities; and Clauses 26 to 30 contain general provisions for the approval and carrying out of schemes, interpretation clauses, &c.

As mentioned in the notes previously submitted to the Committee, the matters of particular interest to the Committee are contained in the Clauses of the Bill relating to the constitution of the Local Education Authorities, and the areas for which they are to be elected.

LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITIES.

A Local Authority for the purposes of education is to be elected for each of the burghs of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Dundee, and Leith, and for every County, including every burgh situated therein other than the burghs specially mentioned (Clause 1).

For the purposes of the election of a Local Authority each electoral area is to be divided by the Secretary for Scotland into electoral divisions, and in determining the boundaries thereof he is to have regard, so far as may be, to the boundaries of wards in the five scheduled burghs, and of districts in counties. (Clause 2.)

The number of the members of the Local Education Authority is to be determined by the Secretary for Scotland, and he is also to apportion them among the electoral divisions of the education area, having regard to the population, area, and other circumstances of the County and Electoral Districts. (Clause 3.)

The Local Education Authority has laid upon it the duty of preparing and submitting to the Education Department schemes for the constitution of School Management Committees, for the management of schools, or groups of schools, under their control throughout their education area. Such schemes must provide for the Local Education Authority being duly represented on each School Management Committee, and, in the case of a County, for the appointment on the Committee, either directly or on the nomination of local bodies (including on the first constitution out-going School Boards) of persons resident in the locality and otherwise qualified to represent local interests. (Clause 4 (1).)

The School Management Committee is, subject to regulations and restrictions made by the Local Education Authority, to have all the powers and duties of that Authority in regard to the general management and supervision of the school, or group of schools, including attendance thereat. There are, however, specifically excluded from the jurisdiction of the School Management Committee the following matters:—

(*a*) the raising of money by rate or loan, and the general control of expenditure;

(*b*) the acquisition or holding of land;

(*c*) the appointment, remuneration, and dismissal of teachers;

(*d*) the appointment of bursars, and the exercise of the powers relating to power to facilitate attendance at secondary schools and other institutions; and

(*e*) the recognition, establishment, or discontinuance of intermediate or secondary schools, or of centres of advanced technical instruction. (Clause 4 (2).)

A scheme for the constitution of a School Management Committee appointed for a group of schools may provide for the delegation of any of their powers and duties in respect of any particular school (other than any power or duty relating to school attendance) to a School Committee constituted as the scheme may prescribe. (Clause 4 (3).)

The proposed system of Education Authorities under the new Bill is much simpler than under the previous Bill. Under the new Bill there are only two Authorities: the Education Authority, consisting of persons directly elected, and the School Management Committee, consisting of a body which may be partly directly elected but will probably for the most part be nominated by other bodies. Under the original Bill there was a Local Education Authority, a District Education Committee, and a School Committee.

POWERS TO FACILITATE ATTENDANCE AT INTERMEDIATE AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

The Local Education Authority is given power to facilitate the attendance of children or young persons at secondary schools and other institutions by payment of travelling expenses or of fees, or of the cost of residence in a hostel, or of a bursary or maintenance allowance in lieu of such cost, or otherwise. (Clause 5, 1.)

The Local Education Authority may also pay travelling expenses for any young persons in their area attending continuation classes. (Clause 5, 2.)

In granting assistance, the Local Education Authority is to have regard to the circumstances of each case, including the circumstances of the parents. (Clause 5, 3.)

PROVISION OF BOOKS FOR GENERAL READING.

Clause 9 of the previous Bill is repeated practically verbatim. As pointed out in the former notes, no limit is placed on the expenditure, except that in a burgh or parish where the public libraries rate is being levied no sum is to be raised for providing books. The public libraries rate is limited to a penny, accordingly, where this penny rate is being levied no expense can be incurred, whereas in a parish where no such rate is being levied a much larger assessment might be raised by the Local Education Authorities. (Clause 6.)

SCHEMES FOR PROVISION OF EDUCATION.

Local Education Authorities are, within twelve months after the appointed day, to prepare and submit schemes for the provision of education. (Clause 7.)

CONTRIBUTIONS TO MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS.

Local Education Authorities are authorised to contribute to the expenses of certain schools and central institutions or universities. They are also compelled to contribute in each year towards the aggregate expenses of the maintenance of training colleges throughout Scotland such sum as the Department may determine in proportion to the number of fully qualified teachers in the service of each Local Education Authority on the 31st March in each year. They may also, with the sanction of the Department, contribute to the maintenance of any educational institutional agency where such contribution appears to the Department desirable for the benefit of persons resident within the education area of the Authority. (Clause 8.) The obligation to contribute towards the expense of maintenance of training colleges in proportion to the number of fully qualified teachers is one deserving consideration.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN RESPECT OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS ATTENDING INTERMEDIATE OR SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Where a Local Education Authority or other body provides an intermediate or secondary school not conducted for profit, which is recognised by the Department and attended by children whose parents are resident outwith the education area in which the school is situated, there is to be paid by the Education Authority for the area in which the parents are resident to the Authority or Governing Body of the School a sum equal to the cost of the education of such children. No payment, however, is to be made out of the Education Fund of any area in respect of any child for whom it is shown to the satisfaction of the Department that accessible accommodation is available in a suitable intermediate or secondary school provided within that area, regard being had to all the circumstances, including the religious belief of the parents. (Clause 9.) This is a new clause.

ACQUISITION OF LAND.

Provision is made for the acquisition of land by agreement, also by compulsion, and suitable machinery is provided for the purpose. (Clause 10.)

POWER TO PROMOTE OR OPPOSE BILLS.

The Local Education Authority is to have the same powers to promote or oppose Bills or Provisional Orders as County Councils, subject to the modification that the consent of the Department is to be substituted for the consent of the Secretary for Scotland. (Clause 11.)

EXPENSES OF LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITIES.

Expenses of Local Education Authorities, including the expenditure incurred by School Management Committees, are to be paid out of the Education Fund of the area which is to come in place of the School Fund referred to in Section 43 of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1872, and the District Education Fund referred to in Section 17 of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908. To this fund are to be carried all moneys received as grants, loans, or otherwise, and any deficiency in that fund is to be provided by an assessment, to be called the Education Rate. (Clause 12 (1).)

For the purpose of raising this Education Rate, the Local Education Authority is to ascertain annually the amount of such deficiency, and allocate and apportion this amount among the parishes comprised in the education area, according to their respective valuations in the Valuation Roll. Not later than 12th June in each year the Education Authority is to certify to the Parish Council of each parish the amount allocated thereupon, and the Parish Council is then to impose the same within the parish under

the name of "Education Rate," in the manner prescribed by the Poor Law (Scotland) Act, 1845, with respect to the Poor Rate, and along with but as a separate assessment from that rate. Provision is made for the case of a parish being comprised in more than one education area. In that event each portion of the parish is to be dealt with separately. The amount collected by the Parish Council is to be paid over to the Local Education Authority without any deduction on account of cost of levying and collecting the same, and the laws applicable for the time being to the imposition, collection, and recovery of the Poor Rate shall be applicable to the Education Rate. In parishes where no Poor Rate is levied, or is imposed otherwise than in the manner prescribed by Section 34 of the Poor Law (Scotland) Act, 1845, the new rate is to be imposed and collected in the manner prescribed by that section (Clause 12 (2).)

Under the original Bill the Education Rate was to be a County rate levied in the same way as the General Purposes Rate. This meant that the Education Rate would have been levied on the gross value of all heritable subjects, and would have been uniform throughout the County. Under the present Bill the Education Rate will be levied on heritable subjects under the deductions allowed by the Poor Law (Scotland) Act of 1845, and while there will be no difference in the amount which each parish will have to contribute under the new Bill as compared with the old Bill, there will be a wide variation in the actual rates imposed in the several parishes. The new arrangement will be much more favourable to the large trading and industrial concerns than the previous one. It is open to the objection that the scale of deduction allowed varies in different parishes, so that ratepayers whose circumstances are identical may be subject to differential treatment because, while resident in the one county, their premises are within different parishes.

EXTENSION OF SCHOOL AGE.—CONTINUATION CLASSES.—EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS.

Clause 13 provides for the extension of the school age; Clause 14 for the attendance of young persons at continuation classes; and Clause 15 prohibits children under 13 being employed on days on which they are required to attend school before the close of school hours, or on any day before six in the morning or after eight at night, and makes other amendments on the Employment of Children Act of 1903.

Clause 16 prohibits school children under 15, who have not been exempted under the Education (Scotland) Act, 1901, from the obligation to attend school, being employed in factories, workshops, mines, or quarries.

VOLUNTARY OR DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Clause 17 contains provisions for the transfer of voluntary or denominational schools similar to those contained in the previous Bill. The clause, however, is extended, and it is, *inter alia*, provided that certain schools for blind, deaf, or defective children whose parents or guardians are outwith the educational area in which the school is situated, or orphanages shown to the

satisfaction of the Department to be required for the proper education of children destitute of efficient guardianship, are to be excepted from the transfer.

There may also be taken over schools established after the passing of the Act, to which the clause would have applied had the schools been in existence at that date. Further provision is made for the setting up of additional schools to afford instruction of a particular religious or denominational character where required, and for the abolition of such schools as are regarded as no longer necessary. (Clause 17.)

REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

The Secretary for Scotland is authorised, with consent of the Treasury, to transfer to the Education Department any of his powers relating to reformatory or industrial schools. (Clause 18.)

ADVISORY COUNCIL.

His Majesty in Council may establish an Advisory Council, consisting, as to not less than two-thirds of the members, of persons qualified to represent the views of various bodies interested in education, for the purpose of advising the Department on matters referred to it. (Clause 19.)

EDUCATION GRANTS.

Clause 20 deals with education grants, its provisions being practically identical with those of the previous Bill.

ELECTION AND PROCEEDINGS OF LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITIES.

The members for an electoral division of an education area are to be elected by the persons registered as Local Government electors for the division, under the Representation of the People Act, 1918. (Clause 21.)

The voting at a contested election is to be according to the principle of proportional representation. (Clause 22.) This is a concession to minorities who might consider themselves in danger of losing all representation if contested elections were conducted in the ordinary manner.

Certain provisions are made to prevent a teacher from being dismissed without due consideration. (Clause 23.)

The Local Education Authority is to set up an Advisory Council, consisting of persons qualified to represent the views of bodies interested in education, for the purpose of advising the Authority on matters referred to the Council by it. (Clause 24.) This, of course, is a distinct body from the Council to be appointed to advise the Department under Clause 19.

The Department may, on the application of a Local Education Authority, within twelve months after the first election of such Authority, from time to time make orders for bringing the Act into full operation. (Clause 25.)

GENERAL.

Clauses 26 to 30 contain general provisions.

SCHEDULES.

Appended to the Bill are six Schedules. The first Schedule enumerates the burghs which are to form separate education areas. The second Schedule prescribes rules regarding the time for the election of a Local Education Authority, the conduct of the election, the expenses, the incorporation of Local Education Authorities, the appointment of a chairman, of committees, &c. The third Schedule makes provision for the constitution of School Management Committees and their proceedings. The fourth Schedule makes provision for the transfer of powers, property, and officers of existing School Boards and Secondary Education Committees. The fifth Schedule deals with the adoption of existing Acts of Parliament, and the sixth Schedule specifies the enactments to be repealed.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 28th June, 1918.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 5th June 1918.

Present—

William Barr.	A. D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
William L. Dyer.	Colonel King Stewart.
George Fraser.	William B. Thomson.
Robert Lambie.	John Train.
William Love.	William Templeton.

Added to the committee, and attending for the purposes of the item of business relating to the disposal of the sum of £1,000 voted by the County Council for the assistance of British Prisoners of War:—

John Campbell.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last ordinary meeting of this committee, of date 3rd April, 1918, and of the special meeting of this committee, of date 24th April, 1918, both of which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council at their statutory meeting on 9th May, 1918, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of meetings of 3rd and 24th April.

The Clerk laid upon the table the following remit from the County Council, as contained in their minutes of meeting of above last-mentioned date:— — Prisoners of War Relief.—Remit from County Council.

"In terms of the notice of motion given by him, Mr. Campbell moved:—'That the County Council make a contribution to the Prisoners of War Fund out of the Grant known as the Equivalent Grant,' which was seconded by Mr. Lambie.

"The meeting, after consideration, agreed to the motion, and resolved to make a contribution of £1,000 from next year's Equivalent Grant to the Prisoners of War Fund for the benefit primarily of Lanarkshire men, and remitted to the Finance Committee, with powers, to allocate the contribution, Mr. John Campbell being added to the committee for this particular purpose."

As relative to the above, the Clerk reported contents of and laid upon the table—

Communications relative to remit.

(1) Letter from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, of date 17th May, 1918, conveying the Secretary for Scotland's approval to the County Council's resolution.

(2) Letters from Mrs. Vandeleur, dated 16th April and 27th May, 1918, and from Lieut.-Colonel Vandeleur, dated 21st May, 1918, all making an appeal on behalf of the Prisoners of War of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Regular Battalions The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).

(3) Newspaper cutting from the *Glasgow Herald*, of date 27th May, 1918, containing an explanatory statement of the work being done by the Regimental Care Committees, and the Central Prisoners of War Committee in London, and pointing out that the system is so co-ordinated that only one body can deal with each prisoner, and that there is consequently no overlapping.

Consideration of remit.
Instructions to Clerk.

The meeting thereafter proceeded to consider the remit, and after a general exchange of views and a discussion instructed the Clerk (1) to intimate the County Council's resolution to the Central Prisoners of War Committee, London, and to obtain from that committee a list of Lanarkshire men in captivity if such be available; and (2) if such a list be not available, to circulate as an item of news in the Lanarkshire local papers an intimation of the County Council's resolution, and an invitation to friends of prisoners to send particulars of men whose names it was desired to submit.

"Lanarkshire" means County area outwith Burghs.

To prevent any misunderstanding it was agreed to make it clear that, for the purposes of the allocation of the County Council's contribution, "Lanarkshire" in this case means the County area outwith the Burghs.

Accounts and requisitions passed since last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, in accordance with the remit contained in the minute of the special meeting of this committee, of date 24th April, 1918, to any two members to examine and pass accounts that would have been ordinarily submitted to the May meeting, accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £23,564 18s., had been examined and passed for payment on 9th May, 1918, by Mr. Fraser and Mr. Dyer, who had also initialed the precept books.

Accounts and requisitions now passed.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £106,328 10s. 8d. (of which £103,582 14s. 1d. was applicable to the year 1917-18), were laid before the meeting, and having been examined were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Mack and Mr. Lambie.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness and bank balance, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:— Statement of loan indebtedness and bank balance.

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 1ST JUNE, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting. ...		£1,486,340	6 5
Loans taken since last meeting. ...	£111,709 0 0		
Loans repaid do. ...	93,363 7 5		
		18,345	12 7
		£1,504,685	19 0
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts.		... 11,158	19 5
		£1,515,844	18 5

The County Fund stands at £104,875 1s. 1d. to the Credit made up as follows, viz.:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...		£95,000	0 0
On Account Current, ...		9,875	1 1
		£104,875	1 1

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt. Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

The official acknowledgements for the loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, in so far as not already signed under the remit of date 24th April, 1918, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed. Official acknowledgments.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Undertaking, viz.:— Middle Ward Water requisitions.

No. 227 (old), dated 3rd May, 1918, ...		£11	7 6
No. 228 (old), dated 1st June, 1918, ...		8	2 1
No. — (additional), dated 15th May, 1918, ...		10	0 0
Camps Scheme, dated 5th April, 1918, ...		933	6 1
Do. dated 3rd May, 1918, ...		2,415	1 11
Do. dated 15th May, 1918, ...		13	10 0
Do. dated 31st May, 1918, ...		1,326	12 9

The Clerk submitted to the meeting Abstract of the Valuation of Public Undertakings for 1918-19, as valued by the Assessor of Railways and Canals, a copy of which abstract forms Appendix I to this minute. Abstract of Valuation of Public Undertakings, 1918-19.

The Clerk submitted and explained the correspondence he had had with the Lanarkshire Tramways Company with regard to the mileage payments due by the Company under Sections 16 and 17 of the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and he reminded the meeting of the provisions of these sections. The Company's position was that, although they had paid a dividend of 8 per cent., there was a question of excess profits still to be settled by the Inland Revenue, and if the Company were held liable therefor this would affect the payments to the County Council. Payments due to County Authorities by Lanarkshire Tramways Company under their special Act of 1903.—Correspondence reported.

The meeting approved of the attitude taken up by the Clerk that the dividend, when declared, unless challenged by the County Council, automatically fixed the amount of the payments, and the view having been Clerk's attitude approved.

expressed that any liability which might be laid upon the Company under circumstances such as they stated could be carried forward to next year, the Clerk was instructed to press for payment of the County Council's claim as rendered, based on the 8 per cent. dividend.

Clerk to press for payment.

Hairmyres Scheme.—Treasury consent reported to the borrowing of a further sum of £20,000.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 4th July, 1917, the Clerk reported that, after a long correspondence, the Treasury had now intimated, as per Scottish Office letter of date 18th April, 1918, that in all the circumstances they authorised the borrowing of a further sum of £20,000 in respect of the Hairmyres Scheme.

Middle Ward Water.—Correspondence with Treasury reported and borrowing of £45,000 provisionally sanctioned.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 3rd October, 1917, the Clerk reported that the Scottish Office, after a correspondence, had intimated, by letter dated 4th April, 1918, that the Treasury have provisionally sanctioned the borrowing of £45,000 to meet capital expenditure in the year 1917-18 in connection with the Camps Scheme of the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, being one half of the amount proposed to be borrowed by the County Council.

Observations of Treasury on the County Council's application.

The observations of the Treasury in transmitting their sanction, as contained in their letter of 28th March, 1918, to the Scottish Office, were in the following terms:—

> " . . . I am to request you to inform the Secretary for Scotland that the necessity for retarding progress on such schemes as this is even more urgent than in previous years, and that their Lordships have felt grave doubts whether, in present circumstances, they were justified in allowing further progress to be made.
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> "They cannot sanction so large an expenditure as £90,000 (as compared with £51,500 sanctioned for the year ending May, 1917). They consider that the expenditure should be limited to the minimum required to keep the scheme in being, and to that end they are willing to sanction the raising of one half of the amount proposed by the Council, viz., £45,000, provided that the present conditions as to labour are still observed.
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> "I am to add that if it is necessary to make any application to them for further expenditure next year, they will expect a further substantial reduction."

Remitted to County Clerk and District Clerk.

It was remitted to the County Clerk, in consultation with the District Clerk, to deal with the Treasury letter.

Receipt of Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant reported.

The Clerk reported receipt of £9,078 19s. 7d., being the Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant for the year from 15th May, 1916, to 15th May, 1917. He explained that this was one half of the expenditure as audited and allowed by the Local Government Board.

Receipt of Grant under Agricultural Rates, &c., Act reported.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the statement (Appendix II) showing the allocation of the Grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland), Act, for the year 1917-18.

Representation with regard to deficiency and anomalies of apportionment to be made to Scottish Office.

The meeting, having regard to the deficiency in the amount of Grant received, and of the anomalies arising out of the present method of apportionment, instructed the Clerk to make, as in previous years, a representation to the Scottish Office on the subject.

Commutation of fees of J.P. Clerk of the Upper Ward.—Letter from Mr. Annan agreeing to County Council's proposals.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of Sub-Committee on Commutation of Fees of J.P. Clerk of the Upper Ward, of date 3rd April, 1918, the Clerk submitted and read letter from Mr. Annan, accepting the County Council's proposals to commute on the basis of the sub-committee's minutes, *i.e.*, for an inclusive salary of £120 and outlays.

Remit to Clerk, with powers to make new agreement with printers.

On an application by Messrs. Robert Anderson, the County Council's printers, who represented that since prices were revised in April, 1917, paper had gone up from 6d. to 1s. 6d. per lb., and wages from 45s. to 58s., it was remitted to the Clerk, with powers, to revise the agreement with the firm for the printing of the minutes and reports of the County Council and its sub-committees.

Courts (Emergency Powers) Acts.—Claim of J.P. Clerk of Lower Ward.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 7th July, 1915, declining to admit liability for the claim of the J.P. Clerk of the Lower Ward for fees in respect of duties performed by him under the Courts (Emergency Powers) Acts, the Clerk submitted a further letter from Mr. T. F. Wilson, of date 3rd May, 1918, on the subject. The Clerk at same time explained that his information was that the Corporation of Glasgow had effected a compromise with the Clerk of the Peace in respect of a similar claim against the City, and that there was reason to believe that the Clerk of the Peace would be prepared to follow a similar course as regards his claim against the County, which amounted to £29. The meeting, however, in view of the principle involved, resolved to affirm their previous decision that as there was no statutory obligation imposed on the County Council under the Courts (Emergency Powers) Acts, or other Acts, liability for remuneration of any kind could not be admitted.

Report by Clerk.

Previous decision not to admit liability affirmed.

Lands Valuation Assessor authorised to employ expert assistance in connection with valuation of public works.

A request by Mr. G. W. Hare, Lands Valuation Assessor, of date 3rd June, 1918, to be authorised to employ expert assistance in connection with the valuation of certain public works, was acceded to, it being remitted to the Clerk to consult with Mr. Hare as to the assistance desired.

Communications submitted—

The following communications were submitted:—

(1) Circular letter from the Scottish Office, of date 26th April, 1918, drawing attention to (*a*) the terms of Section 43 (11) of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, with regard to expenses properly incurred by Registration Officers in performance of their duties, one half of which is to be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, and transmitting print of a scale (Appendix III) indicating the maximum expenditure which may be incurred in respect of Registration Officers' salaries, the remuneration of their staffs, and other persons employed in the preparation of the Registers; and (*b*) the printing arrangements undertaken by the Stationery Office with the view to facilitating and expediting the preparation of the Registers.

(1) Circular letter from Scottish Office explaining regarding expenses of Registration of Voters.

(2) Letter from the Comptroller of Inland Revenue, of date 12th April, 1918, conveying the consent of the Treasury to the appointment of Mr. S. D. Easton as Assessor under the Lands Valuation Acts and Registration of Voters Acts, in succession to Mr. D. Cram.

(2) Letter from Comptroller of Inland Revenue approving of appointment of Mr. S. D. Easton as Assessor.

(3) Report of the Auditor of the Court of Session, acting under remit from the Secretary for Scotland, on the accounts of costs, charges, and expenses incurred by the County Council in the promotion of the Lanarkshire County Council (Water, &c.) Order, 1917. The total as audited amounted to £2,098 12s. 9d.

(3) Report of Auditor of Court of Session on cost of promoting Lanarkshire County Council (Water, &c.) Order, 1917.

Clerk to submit allocation of cost of said Order.

The Clerk was instructed to submit to a future meeting a suggested allocation of the said sum of £2,098 12s. 9d., including the sum payable by Dunbartonshire.

Housing deputation to London. — Request of Middle Ward District Committee for adoption of deputation acceded to.

On the application of the District Clerk of the Middle Ward, of date 11th April, 1918, the meeting agreed to recommend that the County Council adopt, under the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 1906, a deputation of two appointed by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, to interview a Government department in London, with reference to proposals for the variation of the agreements between the County Authorities and the Ministry of Munitions with regard to the Mossend Housing Scheme of 200 houses and the Ministry's Housing Scheme of 350 houses.

County Buildings, Lanark.—Requisition for £50 honoured.

A letter, of date 22nd April, 1918, was read from Mr. A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the Commissioners for the County Buildings, Lanark, intimating that it had been resolved to requisition the Town Council of Lanark and the County Council each for £50 on account of maintenance expenses. The meeting passed the County's quota for payment.

Police Stations, Fire Stations, and County Buildings.—Insurances to be increased by 50 per cent.

The Clerk laid upon the table the insurance policies against damage by fire to Police Stations, Fire Stations, and County Buildings, &c., and asked instructions as to whether any increase should be made thereto, in view of the present cost of labour, cost of building materials, and cost of furniture and furnishings. The meeting, after consideration, were of opinion that it would be prudent to make provision against present-day risks and emergencies, and instructed that the amounts insured be increased in each case by 50 per cent.

Applications for consent to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the County Council to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

£100 for the construction of sewer from Forth Public Slaughter-house to connect with sewer from Wilsontown Terrace.

Middle Ward.

£615 14s. 1d. to complete Cleland Housing Scheme.
£2,511 14s. 10d. to complete Harthill Housing Scheme.
£150 for reconstruction of sewer in Uddingston Special Drainage District (additional).

Agreed to recommend borrowing.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

Report of Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries.

The proceedings of the Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, as contained in their minute of 24th April, 1918 (Appendix IV), having been reported, the committee adopted the sub-committee's recommendations, subject to the extension of the 20 per cent. bonus given to three of the married staff, to another married member of the staff whose salary is £145 per annum.

APPENDIX I.

ABSTRACT OF VALUATIONS OF PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR 1918-19 IN COMPARISON WITH 1917-18.

	Mileage. 1918-19. Miles.	Chains.	1917-18. Miles.	Chains.	Valuations. 1918-19.	1917-18.	Valuations. Increase.	Decrease.	Mileage. Increase. Miles.	Chains.	Decrease. Chains.
Caledonian Railway, ...	308	29½	306	60½	£158,640	£160,420	—	£1,780	1	49	—
Do. do. (Leadhills Light Railway), ...	7	43	7	43	Nil.	Nil.	—	—	—	—	—
North British Railway, ...	99	67	100	14	37,339	37,301	£38	—	—	—	27
Lanarkshire Tramways, ...	24	63	24	63	28,910	22,321	6,589	—	—	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Tramways,	8	69	8	69	20,312	19,728	584	—	—	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Water, ...	—	—	—	—	6,222	5,903	319	—	—	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Gas, ...	—	—	—	—	1,616	1,638	—	22	—	—	—
Burgh of Kirkintilloch Water,	—	—	—	—	94	93	1	—	—	—	—
Burgh of Airdrie Gas, ...	—	—	—	—	426	368	58	—	—	—	—
Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company, ...	—	—	—	—	47,656	32,135	15,521	—	—	—	—
	449	31½	448	9½	£301,215	£279,907	£23,110	£1,802	1	49	27

	Valuation.		Mileage.
Total Increase, ...	£23,110	Total Increase, ...	1 mile 49 chains.
Total Decrease, ...	1,802	Total Decrease, ...	0 „ 27 „
Net Increase, ...	£21,308	Net Increase, ...	1 mile 22 chains.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

AGRICULTURAL RATES, &c. (SCOTLAND), ACT.

STATEMENT SHOWING ALLOCATION OF GRANT RECEIVED UNDER ABOVE ACT FOR 1917-18

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Police—Airdrie District, ...	£130 8 1	£49 3 1	£81 5 0	...
Do. Hamilton District, ...	423 7 6	149 6 3	274 1 3	...
Do. Lower Ward District, ...	75 17 6	40 11 1	35 6 5	...
Do. Motherwell District, ...	0 4 4	...	0 4 4	...
Do. Upper Ward District, ...	336 3 1	103 16 10	232 6 3	...
County General Assessment—South, ...	31 5 11	114 5 9	...	£82 19 10
Do. do. North, ...	2 11 5	11 1 2	...	8 9 9
Registration of Voters, ...	...	27 13 0	...	27 13 0
Valuation, ...	...	48 10 10	...	48 10 10
Govan Lunacy District, ...	...	6 15 2	...	6 15 2
Lanark do.	1,274 12 7	418 8 10	856 3 9	...
Diseases of Animals, ...	27 12 2	13 10 4	14 1 10	...
General Purposes, ...	310 12 2	82 19 0	227 13 2	...
Glasgow Sheriff Court Houses, ...	...	1 16 10	...	1 16 10
Airdrie do. do., ...	7 13 4	...	7 13 4	...
Hamilton do. do., ...	9 8 1	...	9 8 1	...
Lanark do. do., ...	31 8 4	...	31 8 4	...
Highways—Upper Ward, ...	2,167 4 0	1,230 2 8	937 1 4	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	1,585 13 6	1,595 2 4	..	9 8 10
Do. Lower Ward, ...	308 13 4	349 12 6	...	40 19 2
Public Health—Upper Ward, ...	753 16 2	168 19 6	584 16 8	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	1,212 11 6	310 18 3	901 13 3	...
Do. Lower Ward, ...	154 6 8	190 9 8	...	36 3 0
Do. Middle Ward (Outwith Drainage), ...	14 19 10	...	14 19 10	...
UPPER WARD.				
Blackwood Water, ...	22 19 9	...	22 19 9	...
Braidwood Water, ...	11 18 4	...	11 18 4	...
Carluke Water, ...	7 12 3	10 8 11	...	2 16 8
Do. Drainage, ...	6 6 11	1 4 7	5 2 4	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 14 5	...	2 14 5	...
Carnwath Water, ...	3 0 7	...	3 0 7	...
Do. Drainage, ...	2 15 8	...	2 15 8	...
Carstairs Water, ...	3 14 8	...	3 14 8	...
Carstairs Junction Scavenging, ...	0 6 4	...	0 6 4	...
Crawford Water, ...	6 6 0	0 12 3	5 13 9	...
Crosslaw Drainage, ...	3 0 3	4 6 0	...	1 5 9
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 5 8	...	0 5 8	...
Douglas Water, ...	1 14 10	...	1 14 10	...
Do. Drainage, ...	0 13 11	3 13 9	...	2 19 10
Do. Lighting, ...	0 10 5	...	0 10 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 12 2	...	2 12 2	...
Forth Water, ...	27 13 7	...	27 13 7	...
Kirkfieldbank Water, ...	5 2 3	...	5 2 3	...
Law Water, ...	5 16 3	12 5 10	...	6 9 7
Do. Drainage, ...	5 16 3	2 9 2	3 7 1	...
Leadhills Scavenging, ...	0 2 6	...	0 2 6	...
Lesmahagow Water, ...	71 17 0	12 18 1	58 18 11	...
Do. Drainage, ...	1 17 8	1 16 10	0 0 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 15 4	...	3 15 4	...
Ponfeigh Water, ...	6 1 3	...	6 1 3	...
Roberton Water, ...	7 3 4	...	7 3 4	...
Symington Water, ...	14 1 2	...	14 1 2	..
Thankerton Water, ...	3 10 6	...	3 10 6	...
Do. Drainage, ...	0 17 8	...	0 17 8	...
MIDDLE WARD.				
Middle Ward Water—Public Rate, ...	530 18 9	407 7 8	123 11 1	...
Do. Domestic Rate,	59 3 0	10 8 11	48 14 1	...
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage,	0 19 0	...	0 19 0	...
Do. do. Lighting,	...	...	...	...
Carry forward, ...	£9,679 17 2	£5,380 15 1	£4,575 10 4	£276 8 3

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward, ...	£9,679 17 2	£5,380 15 1	£4,575 10 4	£276 8 3
Baillieston Drainage, ...	1 16 6	0 12 3	1 4 3	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 6 7	...	2 6 7	...
Bellshill Drainage, ...	5 4 6	0 12 3	4 12 3	...
Bellshill and Mossend Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	5 14 6	...	5 14 6	...
Do. Electric Lighting,	0 4 9	...	0 4 9	...
Blantyre Drainage, ...	5 5 7	1 4 7	4 1 0	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	7 14 4	...	7 14 4	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 13 10	...	0 13 10	...
Bothwell Drainage, ...	1 8 6	...	1 8 6	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	..
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 4 5	...	3 4 5	..
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 9 8	...	0 9 8	...
Bothwell Park Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Busby Drainage, ...	2 13 8	...	2 13 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	..
Calderbank Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Cambuslang Drainage, ...	6 3 11	2 9 2	3 14 9	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	7 3 7	...	7 3 7	..
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	4 0 0	...	4 0 0	...
Carfin and Cleekhimin Drainage, ...	0 6 8	...	0 6 8	...
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Lighting,	...	..	...	...
Do. do. Scavenging,	1 19 2	...	1 19 2	...
Carnbroe Drainage, ...	...	...	...	...
Chapelhall Drainage, ...	0 4 10	...	0 4 10	...
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, ...	0 10 1	...	0 10 1	..
Do. Lighting, ...	...	..	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 10 6	...	0 10 6	...
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, ...	2 5 8	...	2 5 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 14 4	...	0 14 4	...
East Kilbride Drainage, ...	4 6 5	...	4 6 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 3 4	...	1 3 4	...
Gartlea Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 0 9	...	0 0 9	...
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting,	...	...	...	...
Hamilton Road Drainage, ...	0 2 9	...	0 2 9	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	..
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 5 6	...	0 5 6	...
Harthill Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Holytown and New Stevenston Drainage,	0 3 10	...	0 3 10	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Scavenging, ...	1 15 1	...	1 15 1	...
Larkhall Drainage, ...	4 10 11	2 9 2	2 1 9	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	4 10 6	...	4 10 6	...
Mount Vernon Drainage, ...	3 4 2	6 15 2	...	3 11 0
Newarthill Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Newmains Drainage, ...	0 7 10	...	0 7 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 1 9	..	0 1 9	...
Newton and Flemington Drainage, ...	0 17 6	...	0 17 6	...
North Mount Vernon Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Salsburgh Scavenging, ...	0 2 0	...	0 2 0	...
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, ...	0 12 7	...	0 12 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 14 11	...	0 14 11	...
Stonehouse Drainage, ...	0 6 11	...	0 6 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Strathaven Drainage, ...	4 2 10	...	4 2 10	..
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 19 1	...	0 19 1	...
Uddingston Drainage, ...	1 19 10	...	1 19 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	...	...	...	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 14 2	...	2 14 2	..
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 6 9	...	0 6 9	...
Carry forward, ...	£9,774 2 2	£5,394 17 8	£4,659 3 9	£279 19 3

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward, ...	£9,774 2 2	£5,394 17 8	£4,659 3 9	£279 19 3
LOWER WARD.				
Barony Drainage (North), ...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South), ...	1 2 11	17 16 5	...	16 13 6
Bishopbriggs Lighting, ...	0 3 9	...	0 3 9	...
Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Drainage,	13 1 4	...	13 1 4	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 17 1	...	1 17 1	...
Cadder Water, ...	284 15 1	...	284 15 1	...
Carmunnock Drainage, ...	5 2 0	1 4 7	3 17 5	...
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage, ...	11 0 11	...	11 0 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 4 5	...	0 4 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 14 2	...	1 14 2	...
Glasgow Sewage Purification Area (Glasgow),	9 18 2	...	9 18 2	...
Do. do. do. (Rutherglen),	15 17 3	...	15 17 3	...
Lambhill Lighting, ...	0 4 6	...	0 4 6	...
Millerston and Stepps Lighting, ...	0 9 8	...	0 9 8	...
North Shettleston Lighting, ...	0 18 6	4 6 0	...	3 7 6
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 17 1	...	1 17 1	...
Rutherglen Drainage, ...	7 19 8	...	7 19 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 19 11	...	0 19 11	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 18 0	...	3 18 0	...
South Lenzie Water, ...	2 2 3	3 1 6	...	0 19 3
Do. Drainage, ...	3 12 4	7 7 6	...	3 15 2
Do. Lighting, ...	0 6 0	...	0 6 0	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 5 8	...	1 5 8	...
Stepps Drainage, ...	2 3 5	...	2 3 5	...
Do. Seavenging, ...	0 9 3	...	0 9 3	...
	£10,145 5 6	£5,428 13 8	£5,021 6 6	£304 14 8
			304 14 8	
			£4,716 11 10	

SUMMARY.

Total Abatements, ...	£10,145 5 6
Total Grant, ...	5,428 13 8
Deficit, ...	£4,716 11 10

In other words, the Government Grant is equivalent to 10s. 8½d. per £ of the abatements made by the County Council. Last year it was equal to 11s. 1½d. per £.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF GRANTS RECEIVED AND ABATEMENTS ALLOWED SINCE THE PASSING OF THE ACT OF 1896.

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Net Deficiency.	Net Deficiency per £.
1897-98, ...	£5,888 4 4	£4,881 1 4	£1,007 3 0	£0 3 3
1898-99.	6,010 12 5	4,868 8 6	1,142 3 11	0 3 8
1899-1900, ...	6,591 7 5	5,482 17 9	1,108 9 8	0 3 4½
1900-01, ...	6,750 3 1	5,372 12 6	1,377 10 7	0 4 1
1901-02, ...	7,139 14 5	5,415 13 2	1,724 1 3	0 4 10
1902-03, ...	7,495 14 9	5,446 5 0	2,049 9 9	0 5 6
1903-04, ...	7,534 3 2	5,429 4 7	2,104 18 7	0 5 7
1904-05, ...	7,417 14 2	5,434 18 0	1,982 16 2	0 5 4
1905-06, ...	7,433 5 6	5,423 15 9	2,009 9 9	0 5 5
1906-07, ...	7,683 1 9	5,430 5 11	2,252 15 10	0 5 10
1907-08, ...	7,704 17 10	5,424 6 9	2,280 11 1	0 5 11
1908-09, ...	8,184 15 9	5,428 13 8	2,756 2 1	0 6 9
1909-10, ...	7,914 12 11	5,427 18 5	2,486 14 6	0 6 3½
1910-11, ...	8,327 5 4	5,421 0 9	2,906 4 7	0 7 0
1911-12, ...	8,738 9 6	5,425 16 3	3,312 13 3	0 7 7
1912-13, ...	9,346 13 10	5,424 16 7	3,921 17 3	0 8 5
1913-14, ...	9,701 0 9	5,417 16 1	4,283 4 8	0 8 10
1914-15, ...	10,021 7 4	5,423 2 4	4,598 5 0	0 9 2
1915-16, ...	10,266 15 4	5,422 12 4	4,844 3 0	0 9 5
1916-17, ...	9,771 0 3	5,428 13 8	4,342 6 7	0 8 10½
1917-18, ...	10,145 5 6	5,428 13 8	4,716 11 10	0 9 3½
	£170,066 5 4	£112,858 13 0	£57,207 12 4	£0 6 8½

APPENDIX III.

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1918.

REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

In pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 15 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, we being two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have framed the following scales of Registration expenses for Scotland. These scales will be applicable only to the first and second Registers prepared under the Act:—

I.

REGISTRATION OFFICER'S SALARY AND EXPENSES IN RESPECT OF THE REMUNERATION OF HIS STAFF AND OTHER PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE REGISTERS.

I.—Counties.

For every 100 electors in registration area containing—	First Register.	Second Register.
(1) Not more than 5,000 electors, ...	£2 8 9	£2 2 6
(2) More than 5,000 but not more than 15,000 electors, ...	2 6 8	2 0 5
(3) More than 15,000 but not more than 25,000 electors, ...	2 5 0	1 18 9
(4) More than 25,000 electors—		
For each 100 electors up to 25,000,	2 5 0	1 18 9
For each additional 100 electors up to 100,000, ...	1 19 0	1 12 9
For each additional 100 electors beyond 100,000, ...	1 17 0	1 10 9

II.—Burghs.

For every 100 electors in registration area containing—	First Register.	Second Register.
(1) Not more than 5,000 electors, ...	£1 19 3	£1 13 4
(2) More than 5,000 but not more than 15,000 electors, ...	1 17 10	1 12 0
(3) More than 15,000 but not more than 25,000 electors, ...	1 16 6	1 10 8
(4) More than 25,000 electors—		
For each 100 electors up to 25,000,	1 16 6	1 10 8
For each additional 100 electors....	1 10 6	1 4 8

Provided that the minimum expenditure which may be incurred under any item of the foregoing scales for Counties and Burghs respectively shall not be less than the maximum under the preceding item.

Note.—The payment for any number of electors in excess of a complete 100 shall be calculated proportionately.

II.

PRINTING, &c., EXPENDITURE.

(1) Where the printing is carried out under arrangements made by His Majesty's Stationery Office, such amount as may be certified by that department to be the expenditure incurred in connection therewith.

(2) Printing carried out directly by the Registration Officer and other out-of-pocket expenditure.

The actual expenditure supported as far as possible by vouchers, and certified by a statutory declaration by the Registration Officer to the effect that it was necessarily and properly incurred. First-class railway expenses and subsistence allowance at the rate of £1 a night when the Registration Officer is necessarily absent from home on account of his registration duties will be allowed.

JAMES PARKER.
J. TOWYN JONES.

Treasury Chambers,
Whitehall. S.W., 19th April, 1918.

APPENDIX IV.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STAFF SALARIES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 24th April, 1918. being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed in regard to Staff Salaries. 24th April, 1918.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Gavin A. Shanks.
George Fraser.	Colonel King Stewart.
Alexander Pillans.	Wm. B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk read, and laid upon the table, the remit from the Finance Committee as contained in the minutes of meeting of 3rd April, 1918, viz.:— Remit.

"In accordance with the instructions that a statement of the Staff "Salaries should be annually submitted to the committee for consideration, "the Clerk laid upon the table the usual statement now due, which the "meeting remitted to the following sub-committee for consideration and "report:—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	Colonel King Stewart.

William B. Thomson.

"Mr. Fraser to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum.

"As relative to the foregoing, the meeting also remitted to that Sub-"Committee a communication addressed to the County Council by the "National Association of Local Government Officers, of date 21st March, "1918, suggesting a minimum scale of war bonuses for Local Government "Officers, based on award to civil servants by the Conciliation and Arbitra-"tion Board, of date 17th December, 1917."

There was also laid upon the table the communication from the National Association of Local Government Officers, as referred to in the remit. Communication from National Association of Local Government Officers.

Report as to staff on service.

The Clerk reported at the outset that twenty members of his staff were on Service; that in accordance with the resolution of the County Council that the members of the staff should continue to receive their salaries under deduction of Navy and Army pay and allowances, this was being done where necessary; that in one or two cases no payment or only a small payment required to be made; and that the total Navy and Army pay and allowances brought into account approximates at present at the rate of £1,450 per annum.

Report as to Relief Staff.

The Clerk further explained that the total of the Relief Staff of thirteen was at present at the approximate rate of £950 per annum, there being thus a present saving to the County at the approximate rate of £500 per annum.

Report as to special staff on extra duties arising out of the war.

The Clerk also reported that the special staff at this date, in connection with extra duties arising out of the war, numbered 51, employed as follows:—

Naval and Military War Pensions, - - - -	13
Tribunals, - - - - - - -	3
National Registration, - - - - -	11
Food Control, - - - - - -	24
	51

List submitted of members of permanent staff with salaries of £80 and over.

The meeting having proceeded to consider their remit, and been reminded that the Clerk had standing authority to deal with salaries up to £80 at his own hand, there was submitted and handed to each member of the Sub-Committee a list of the members of the permanent staff with salaries of that figure and over, full particulars being given in each case as to the length of service, present salary, and previous increments.

Sub-Committees recommendations.

The Sub-Committee, having gone through the list and exchanged views, resolved, after consideration, to recommend that the salaries, in all cases, be allowed to remain on the present basis, but that the course adopted last year of allowing a War Bonus of 10 per cent. of salary should be again followed and applied in each case, except in three cases of married men, whose salaries were £104, £120, and £125 respectively, the bonus recommended in these cases being fixed at 20 per cent. The number affected by the Committee's recommendation is twelve, and the amount involved £355 6s., as per statement signed by the Chairman as relative hereto.

Special cases of overtime to be remunerated.

It was agreed that the Clerk should have power, in his discretion, to make payment of overtime in cases where the hours worked were excessive, and spread over an abnormal period.

APPENDIX V.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT COLLECTION OFFICES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th June, 1918. being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County of Lanark appointed to inquire into the matter of the necessity for the retention of all the present Collection Offices. 5th June, 1918.

Present—

ROBERT LAMBIE. ALEXANDER PILLANS.
W. B. THOMSON.

In the absence of Mr. Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, Mr. Thomson was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk read and laid upon the table the remit from the Finance Committee, as contained in their minutes of meeting of 6th March, 1918, viz.:— Remit.

"The question of the necessity for the retention of all the present Collection Offices having been raised, Mr. Lambie moved, seconded by Mr. Love, that a small committee be appointed to inquire into the matter, and to report. Mr. Pillans, seconded by Mr. Thomson, moved, by way of amendment, a direct negative.

"The amendment and motion having been put to the meeting, and a vote taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted for the motion, which was accordingly declared carried, and became the finding of the meeting. Thereupon the following sub-committee was appointed to carry out the remit:—

John Adam.	George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.	Alexander Pillans.
Colonel King Stewart.	W. B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum.

"It was also agreed that the above sub-committee should report on two communications addressed to the Clerk involving questions connected with the collection of County rates."

The meeting having proceeded to consider the remit, the Clerk submitted a statement (Appendix), of which a copy was handed to each member, showing the number of payments made at or through each Collection Office. Statement submitted of number of payments made at each Collection Office.

Letter from District Committee of Upper Ward.

He also submited a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 19th March, 1918, intimating that the District Committee would view with very great apprehension any proposal to abolish the present sub-offices at Biggar and Lanark, and representing that they should be continued as at present.

Sub-committee's recommendations.

After a discussion, in the course of which doubts were expressed as to whether the time was opportune for making any change, it became the unanimous finding of the meeting that consideration of the question be continued until after the war, and it was agreed to recommend accordingly.

The sub-committee then dealt with the two communications referred to in the remit, and, after a consideration thereof, resolved to recommend that the Collectors be notified that the County Council strongly disapprove of (1) the granting of special privileges to the larger ratepayers; and (2) the canvassing for payments.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RATES, 1917-1918.

STATEMENT showing Number of Payments made at or through each Collection Office, as at 4th March, 1918.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Office.	By Post.	Over the Counter.	At Outdoor Collections.	Total Payments.	Percentage of Payments over the Counter to Total Payments.
Airdrie,	935	2,777	1,559	5,271	52·7
Biggar,	248	1,019	612	1,879	54·2
Glasgow,	442	8,128	1,593	10,163	80·0
Hamilton—					
County Offices,	5,695	2,702	...	8,397	32·2
Cadzow Street,	1,020	6,670	7,138	14,828	45
Total for Hamilton,	6,715	9,372	7,138	23,225	40·4
Lanark,	893	1,691	2,364	4,948	34·2
Strathaven,	217	1,723	715	2,655	64·9
Grand Total,	9,450	24,710	13,981	48,141	51·3
Percentage to Total Payments,	19·6	51·3	29·1		

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 3rd July, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 3rd July, 1918.

Present—

William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.

Attending—

John Campbell.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Sederunt.

The minutes of last meeting of this committee, of date 5th June, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

By way of report the minutes, of date 5th June, 1918, of the sub-committee of this committee appointed to inquire into the matter of the necessity for the retention of all the present Collection Offices were laid before the meeting, approved of, and signed. Report of Sub-Committee on District Collection Offices.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting of this committee, with reference to the allocation of the £1,000 voted by the County Council for the assistance of British prisoners of war in Germany to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men, the Clerk reported that, as instructed, he had intimated the County Council's resolution to the Local Central Committee in London and had inquired whether that committee could furnish a list of Lanarkshire men in captivity. He submitted the reply of the Financial Secretary, which was to the effect that the Local Central Committee were not able to give the names as the Records were kept regimentally and not according to locality, but that it was known that there were a number of Lanarkshire men in the Royal Scots, King's Own Scottish Borderers, Highland Light Infantry, and Scottish Rifles, and suggesting that the respective Secretaries of the Care Committees of these regiments—whose addresses were given—should be approached. The Clerk added that he had, as suggested, written to the Regimental Care Committees in question, and had also, in terms of the instructions given at last meeting, inserted a notice in nine local newspapers asking for names of Lanarkshire men who were known to be prisoners of war. The result of the application to the Care Committees had been the receipt

County Council's grant towards prisoners of war relief.

Report by Clerk.

Names received from Regimental Care Committee, and in response to notice in newspapers.

of 50 names, and the response to the notice in the newspapers had brought 36 additional names, making together 86 names, made up as follows:—

Scottish Rifles, ...	25	Northumberland Fusiliers, ...	2
Highland Light Infantry, ...	21	Royal Naval Division, ...	2
Machine Gun Corps, ...	9	Royal Field Artillery, ...	1
Royal Scots, ...	8	Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, ...	1
King's Own Scottish Borderers,	6	Lanarkshire Yeomanry, ...	1
Gordon Highlanders, ...	5	4th South African Infantry (British Company), ...	1
Cameron Highlanders, ...	2		
Seaforth Highlanders, ...	2		

Information relative to cost of parcels submitted.

The Clerk submitted also detailed information procured by him relative to the cost of sending parcels to Germany.

Decision of committee to allocate £500 meantime.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the information submitted to them, and having discussed various proposals that suggested themselves, ultimately resolved to allocate meantime £500 to the Regimental Care Committees of the above regiments proportionately on the basis of the above abstract, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Accounts and requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £49,555 12s. 5d., were laid upon the table, and having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Mack and Mr. Lambie.

Statement of loan indebtedness and bank balance.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness and bank balance, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 29TH JUNE, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,504,685 19	0
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£38,727 14 5		
Loans repaid since last meeting. ...	24,348 19 2		
		14,378 15	3
		£1,519,064 14	3
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		17,265 14	8
		£1,536,330 8	11

The County Fund stands at £90,050 12s. 10d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£70,000 0	0
On Account Current.	20,050 12	10
	£90,050 12	10

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments for signature.

The official acknowledgments for the loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:— Middle Ward Water requisitions.

Camps Scheme, dated 20th May, 1918. ...	£1,161	10	0
Camps Scheme, dated 28th June, 1918, ...	1,765	11	9

Under reference to previous meetings of this committee and of the County Council, the Clerk reported that the appeal of the County Council against the Interlocutor of the First Division of the Court of Session, deciding that feu contracts granted under the Housing Acts are chargeable with Stamp Duty, had been dismissed by the House of Lords, and he laid on the table the Opinions of their Lordships. (Appendix I.) County Council's appeal in Stamp Duty case under Housing Acts dismissed by House of Lords.

In view of the far-reaching effect of the decision not only as regards conveyances granted under the Housing Acts but also as regards borrowing for Housing Schemes, which would now be liable for Loan Capital Duty, it was the opinion of the meeting that the matter should not be allowed to drop, but that steps should be taken to press for legislation being introduced to give Local Authorities the same privileges under the Housing Acts as regards exemption from Stamp Duty as are given under the Public Health Acts. The Clerk was instructed accordingly.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 6th March, 1918, dealing with a communication from the J.P. Clerk of the Middle Ward, transmitting and supporting an application by his depute at Airdrie for an allowance to make up for deficiency of fees: the Clerk submitted and read a further letter from Dr. Brown, in the following terms:— Emoluments of Depute Clerk of the Peace at Airdrie. — Letter from Clerk of the Peace for the Middle Ward asking an interview.

"Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
"Airdrie, 6th June, 1918.

"DEAR SIR THOMAS,

"I duly received your letter communicating the finding of the Finance Committee, a copy of which I sent to Mr. Russell. Subsequently, I met Mr. Russell and conferred with him on the subject. We think that, in arriving at the decision they did, the Finance Committee cannot have had the full facts before them. In writing you previously, I should, perhaps, have asked for a personal interview with the committee, so that the full facts might have been submitted to them by Mr. Russell, and I am writing now to ask the favour of a rehearing of the application by the committee. At our interview yesterday, you were good enough to say that, so far as you were concerned, you would favour such an interview. I should be glad if you would inform me when the committee will meet, so that I may advise Mr. Russell.

"Yours faithfully,

"J. T. T. BROWN."

The meeting, after discussion, and without committing themselves in any way on the merits of the case, agreed that it would only be courteous to grant to Dr. Brown and his depute the interview they desired, and the Clerk was instructed so to arrange. Agreed to grant interview.

The Clerk reported with regard to an application made by him for a Government Grant in respect of the upkeep of the extended portion of Airdrie Court Houses as vested in the County Council, and he referred to a communication made to him by the Clerk to the Airdrie Court Houses Com- Government Grant towards maintenance of extension of Airdrie Court Houses.—Remit to Clerk.

missioners (in whom the main building is vested) on lines suggested by the Office of the Clerk of Works, Edinburgh, whereby it would be for the convenience of all parties if an arrangement were made to permit of the grant for the whole building, including extension, being paid to the Commissioners.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk, the suggestion being made that the arrangement should be conditional on the Commissioners defraying the whole maintenance expenses of the extension.

Application for establishment of National Kitchens at Cambuslang.—Report by Local Food Control Committee.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 3rd April, 1918, remitting to the Local Food Control Committee for consideration and report an application that had been intimated for the establishment of a National Kitchen at Cambuslang, the Clerk submitted and read the following letter from the Executive Officer of that committee:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 20th June, 1918.

"Sir Thomas Munro, K.B.E.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"The Local Food Control Committee have now considered the remit made to them to make inquiry into the proposal by the Cambuslang Local Food Control Sub-Committee to establish a Communal Kitchen in that locality. As the result of the information placed at their disposal, and of careful consideration of the whole circumstances, they instruct me to inform you that they do not consider the time has yet come when any attempt should be made to set up a Communal Kitchen in Cambuslang. From the experience of other Local Authorities who have established so-called Communal Kitchens, they are satisfied that there is little chance of the public patronising such Kitchens, unless they were faced with an acute food crisis. At present there is no indication of such a state of affairs emerging, and the Food Control Committee are of the opinion that, in the meantime, it is not expedient to take any action in the matter. For your information, I enclose copy of a Memorandum giving information as to the Food Kitchens in other areas, which was before the Food Control Committee at their meeting.

"Yours faithfully,

"ROBERT BRYCE WALKER,
"*Executive Officer.*"

Agreed not to take further action.

In view of the terms of the reply, the meeting did not think it necessary to take any further action.

Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association to be held at Stirling in September.—Intimation of appointment of delegates.

The following appointments to the congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, to be held at Stirling, 4th to 6th September, 1918, were intimated:—

County Council—4 members, 2 officials;
Upper Ward District Committee—2 members, 2 officials;
Middle Ward District Committee—3 members, 2 officials; and
Lower Ward District Committee—1 member, 1 official.

The meeting agreed that application be made to the Secretary for Scotland for authority to set aside, out of the Equivalent Grant receivable during the current year, a sum of £50 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the delegates to the conference in question, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

Application to be made to Secretary for Scotland for authority to pay expenses of delegates out of Equivalent Grant.

In response to an invitation from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 24th June, 1918, to send representatives to a conference of Local Authorities to be held in the City Chambers, Glasgow, on 31st July, at 11.30 a.m., to consider the Government proposals regarding financial assistance to Local Authorities promoting Housing Schemes, the meeting appointed the following members to represent the County Council:—Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Thomson, together with the Clerk.

Housing.—Invitation from Corporation of Glasgow to send representatives to Conference of Local Authorities on 31st July, to consider Government's financial proposals.

Members appointed to represent County Council.

The Clerk laid upon the table (1) supplementary estimate of administrative expenses of the County of Lanark Local War Pensions Committee for the period from 17th May, 1917 to 31st March, 1918; and (2) estimate of administrative expenses of that committee for the year to 31st March, 1919, a print of each of which had been sent to the members of the committee. (Appendix II.)

Administrative expenses under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Administrative Expenses), Act, 1917.—Supplementary Estimate for 1917-18, and Estimate for 1918-19.

After hearing explanations by the Clerk, it was agreed to recommend the County Council to approve the estimates as submitted, and to instruct their transmission to the Secretary for Scotland for his approval, in terms of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Administrative Expenses), Act, 1917.

Estimates recommended to be approved.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an application by the Middle Ward District Committee for the consent of the County Council to the borrowing of a sum of £64,062 7s. 2d. to meet extra expenditure for the purpose of Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony. The meeting, having considered the application and the information submitted in relation to it, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sum above specified, subject to the consent of the Treasury, in terms of the Restriction of Buildings Order, 1916, and of the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee, for both of which the Clerk was instructed to apply.

Capital works and borrowing.—Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony, £64,062 7s. 2d.

It was agreed that next meeting of the committee should be held at the conclusion of the stated meeting of the County Council on Wednesday, 7th August.

Next meeting.

APPENDIX I.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7TH, 1918.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF COUNTY OF LANARK—*Appellants;*
AND
COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE—*Respondents.*

Lords Present—

The LORD CHANCELLOR.
VISCOUNT HALDANE.
LORD DUNEDIN.
LORD PARMOOR.

(Transcribed from the Shorthand Notes of W. B. Gurney & Sons, 26 Abingdon Street, Westminster.)

At the conclusion of the argument for the Appellants, Counsel for the Respondents being present, but not being called upon, their Lordships delivered Judgment, as follows:—

The LORD CHANCELLOR:—My Lords, this case has been very clearly argued by Mr. Brown, and every consideration has been put before your Lordships with such force that I am certain the case will not have lost anything by the absence of his leader.

My Lords, the case appears to me an extremely clear one. The question is the construction of Section 168 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, which is set out on page 4 of the Appellant's case—"All bonds, assignations, conveyances, instruments, agreements, receipts, or other writings made or granted by or to or in favour of the Local Authority under this Act shall be exempt from all stamp duties." Now, it is contended that the words "under this Act" relate to the Local Authority; that, so long as the writing, deeds, and so on are made or granted by or to the Local Authority under that Act they enjoy the benefit of the exemption. In my opinion, that is not the correct construction of the section. I think that, in order to enjoy the exemption conferred, the deeds must not merely be in favour of that Authority, but they must be made or granted under the powers of the Act. It is not enough that the Authority entrusted with the powers of that Act, in some other capacity and for some other purpose, has the deed; it is the same Authority, but the deed in question is not one for the purposes of the Act in respect of which alone the exemption is granted.

My Lords, I cannot put the matter more clearly than it is put in the words of the certificate granted by the Commissioners, which is quoted by the Lord President in his Judgment, at page 4 of the Appendix. He says, at letter A: "The Commissioners were of opinion, when they considered the case, that the feu contract was chargeable with stamp duty in respect"—then follows a quotation from the certificate—"that the exemption from such duty contained in Section 168 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897,

applied only to writings made or granted by or to Local Authorities acting under, and in pursuance of, the powers conferred by that Act, and that the said County Council, in entering into the said feu contract, were not acting as a Local Authority under the said statute, and had no power under it to acquire land for the purpose of the housing of the working classes, or for any of the purposes set forth in Part III of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, and the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909." I agree with that entirely. That seems to me really to exhaust the subject. I cannot agree at all with the construction put upon the section in Lord Johnston's Judgment, at page 6 of the Appendix, where he appears to restrict these words "under the said Act" to defining a Local Authority: that is to say, that, so long as it is a Local Authority under that Act, it does not matter whether the deed had any connection with the purposes of that Act. That seems to me to contradict the plain meaning of the section.

The rest of Lord Johnston's Judgment is taken up with showing how closely connected the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Act may be said to be with the purposes of the Public Health Act. All that may be perfectly true, but it is quite irrelevant. It is absolutely impossible to say that this certificate was granted under the Public Health Act; it was granted under an Act relating to purposes closely connected, it may be, with Public Health, but it was not granted under that Act.

It is admitted that the case cited in 22, Rettie, did not govern this case, and the matter seems so very clear that, in spite of the extremely able argument we have listened to, I think the Appeal fails owing to its own inherent defect. For these reasons, I think the Appeal should be dismissed, with costs.

Viscount Haldane:—My Lords, on both points I agree, and I do not desire to add anything to what has been said from the Woolsack.

Lord Dunedin:—My Lords, I concur.

Lord Parmoor:—My Lords, I concur.

Questions Put.

That the Judgment appealed from be reversed.

The Not Contents have it.

That the Judgment appealed from be affirmed and this Appeal dismissed, with costs.

The Contents have it.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WAR PENSIONS, &c. (ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES), ACT, 1917.

I.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATE of Administrative Expenses of the County of Lanark Local Committee **FOR THE PERIOD FROM 17th MAY, 1917, TO 31st MARCH, 1918,**

10½ Months.

PART I.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF LOCAL COMMITTEE.

	Approved Estimate.	Actual Expenditure.	Expenditure in excess of the Estimate.	Savings on the Estimate.	Supplementary Estimate.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(A) Staff Expenses of Local Committee.					
(*a*) Salaries—					
(1) Salary of Clerk and Treasurer to the Local Committee (part-time officer) including Assistants at rate of £500 per annum, ...	435 0 0	435 0 0	...	...	...
(2) Clerical Assistants — 7 Typists, whole time, ...	450 0 0	624 10 0	174 10 0	...	174 10 0
(3) Auditor, at rate of 350 guineas per annum, ...	320 0 0	320 0 0	...	...	...
	1,205 0 0	1,379 10 0	174 10 0	...	174 10 0
(B) Office Expenses of Local Committee.					
(1) Rent of Rooms for Meetings, ...	5 0 0	0 15 0	...	4 5 0	...
(2) Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	5 0 0	...	...	5 0 0	...
(3) Furniture and Equipment— Typewriter supplies, Books, &c., Card Index renewals, ...	100 0 0	39 0 5	...	60 19 7	...
(4) Lighting, Heating, and Cleaning— Gas Account, ...	10 0 0	4 17 6	...	5 2 6	...
	120 0 0	44 12 11	...	75 7 1	...
(C) Members' Expenses.					
(1) Travelling Expenses, ...	60 0 0	30 0 6	...	...	...
(2) Compensation for loss of Remunerative time, ...	15 0 0	9 19 0	...	...	...
	75 0 0	39 19 6	...	35 0 6	...
(D) Other Expenses.					
Stationery, ...	50 0 0	122 4 3	72 4 3	...	72 4 3
Printing, ...	150 0 0	281 10 5	131 10 5	...	131 10 5
Postages, Telegrams, and Telephones,	100 0 0	106 5 3	6 5 3	...	6 5 3
Advertising, ...	50 0 0	7 17 6	...	42 2 6	*42 2 6*
	350 0 0	517 17 5	209 19 11	42 2 6	167 17 5

PART II.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE LOCAL SUB-COMMITTEE **FOR THE PERIOD FROM 17th MAY, 1917, TO 31st MARCH, 1918,**

10½ MONTHS.

Name of Sub-Committee.	Approved Estimate. £ s. d.	Actual Expenditure. £ s. d.	Expenditure in excess of the Estimate. £ s. d.	Savings on the Estimate. £ s. d.	Supplementary Estimate. £ s. d.
1. Biggar, ...	20 0 0	17 14 11	...	2 5 1	...
2. Forth and Carnwath, ...	29 10 0	29 16 3	0 6 3	...	...
3. Carluke, ...	40 10 0	40 9 9	...	0 0 3	...
4. Lesmahagow, ...	62 0 0	61 4 4	...	0 15 8	...
5. Lanark, ...	44 0 0	43 11 5	...	0 8 7	...
6. Bellshill and Holytown, ...	146 0 0	138 14 5	...	7 5 7	...
7. Bothwell and Uddingston, ...	88 0 0	90 2 0	2 2 0	...	...
8. Airdrie.	251 0 0	284 5 5	33 5 5	...	...
9. Coatbridge, ...	343 0 0	474 0 2	131 0 2	...	...
10. East Kilbride, ...	20 0 0	20 12 8	0 12 8	...	...
11. Strathaven, ...	21 0 0	18 10 6	...	2 9 6	...
12. Larkhall, ...	86 0 0	73 1 2	...	12 18 10	...
13. Hamilton.	225 0 0	292 8 6	67 8 6	...	...
14. Blantyre, ...	92 0 0	125 0 11	33 0 11	...	...
15. Cambuslang, ...	124 0 0	151 5 2	27 5 2	...	...
16. Wishaw, ...	141 0 0	132 11 0	...	8 9 0	...
17. Motherwell, ...	162 0 0	180 10 9	18 10 9	...	...
18. Shotts, ...	67 0 0	75 15 1	8 15 1	...	..
19. Cadder and Shettleston, ...	83 0 0	83 15 2	0 15 2	...	...
20. Rutherglen, ...	125 0 0	125 10 1	0 10 1	...	...
Additional provision to meet contingencies, ...	160 0 0	...	...	160 0 0	...
	2,330 0 0	2,458 19 8	323 12 2	194 12 6	128 19 8

PART III.—SUMMARY.

PERIOD FROM 17th MAY, 1917, TO 31st MARCH, 1918,

10½ Months.

	Approved Estimate. £ s. d.	Actual Expenditure. £ s. d.	Expenditure in excess of the Estimate. £ s. d.	Savings on the Estimate. £ s. d.	Supplementary Estimate. £ s. d.
Expenses of Local Committee.					
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	1,205 0 0	1,379 10 0	174 10 0	...	...
(B) Office Expenses, ...	120 0 0	44 12 11	...	75 7 1	...
(C) Members' Expenses, ...	75 0 0	39 19 6	...	35 0 6	...
(D) Other Expenses, ...	350 0 0	517 17 5	167 17 5	...	...
	1,750 0 0	1,981 19 10	342 7 5	110 7 7	231 19 10
Expenses of Sub-Committees.					
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	1,762 0 0	1,671 18 0	...	90 2 0	...
(B) Office Expenses, ...	100 0 0	313 2 7	213 2 7	...	...
(C) Printing, Advertising, and Stationery,	186 0 0	191 19 2	5 19 2	...	...
(D) Postages, Telegrams, and Telephones,	191 0 0	206 18 7	15 18 7	...	...
(E) Miscellaneous, ...	91 0 0	75 1 4	...	15 18 8	...
	2,330 0 0	2,458 19 8	235 0 4	106 0 8	128 19 8
	4,080 0 0	4,440 19 6	577 7 9	216 8 3	360 19 6

5th June, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO.
Clerk to the Local Committee.

The above Supplementary Estimate of £360 19s. 6d. was approved by the County Council of the County of Lanark on the day of 19 .

Date,.....

....
County Clerk.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WAR PENSIONS, &c. (ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES), ACT, 1917.

II.—ESTIMATE of Administrative Expenses of the County of Lanark Local Committee **for the Year to 31st March, 1919.**

PART I.

Administrative Expenses of Local Committee.

	Expenses in respect of Staff engaged by Local Committee.	Expenses (if any) in respect of Staff lent by the Council.
(A) Staff Expenses of Local Committee.		
(*a*) Salaries—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(1) Salary of Clerk and Treasurer to the Local Committee (part time officer) including Assistants.	...	500 0 0
(2) Clerical Assistants—Typists, and Clerkesses (13), whole time, ...	1,000 0 0	...
(3) Auditor (including Assistants' Salaries, £286),	367 10 0	...
(4) Special Officer in connection with training and employment of Discharged Disabled Men, ...	250 0 0	...
Total, ...	1,617 10 0	500 0 0

	Expenses in respect of Premises belonging to the Council.	Expenses in respect of Premises not belonging to the Council.
(B) Office Expenses of Local Committee.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(1) Rent of Rooms for Meetings, ...	...	5 0 0
(2) Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	...	5 0 0
(3) Furniture and Equipment— Typewriter supplies, Books, &c., Card Index renewals, ...	150 0 0	...
(4) Lighting, Heating, and Cleaning— Gas Account, ...	20 0 0	...
Wages of extra Cleaners, ...	40 0 0	...
Total, ...	210 0 0	10 0 0
(C) Members' Expenses.		
(1) Travelling Expenses, ...		70 0 0
(2) Compensation for loss of Remunerative time,		30 0 0
Total, ...		100 0 0
(D) Other Expenses.		
Stationery, ...	150 0 0	
Printing, ...	350 0 0	
Postages, Telegrams, and Telephone Calls, ...	200 0 0	
Advertising, ...	50 0 0	
		750 0 0
Total, ...		750 0 0

PART II.

Administrative Expenses of the Local Sub-Committees for the Year to 31st March, 1919.

	Name of Sub-Committee.	Amount.	Remuneration of Local Clerks, including Clerical assistance.	Rent of Offices, Rates, Taxes. Insurance, Furniture, and Equipment.	Printing, Advertising, and Stationery.	Postages and Telegrams.	Miscellaneous.
1	Biggar, ...	£49 0 0	£34 0 0	£2 0 0	£3 0 0	£5 0 0	£5 0 0
2.	Forth and Carnwath, ...	72 0 0	42 0 0	10 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0	5 0 0
3.	Carluke, ...	78 0 0	48 0 0	12 0 0	3 0 0	12 0 0	3 0 0
4.	Lesmahagow, ...	145 0 0	60 0 0	25 0 0	12 0 0	18 0 0	30 0 0
5.	Lanark, ...	91 0 0	66 0 0	7 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0	3 0 0
6.	Bellshill and Holytown, ...	236 0 0	166 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	10 0 0
7.	Bothwell and Uddingston, ...	*317 0 0	105 0 0	180 0 0	10 0 0	15 0 0	7 0 0
8.	Airdrie, ...	447 0 0	196 0 0	104 0 0	55 0 0	80 0 0	12 0 0
9.	Coatbridge, ...	756 0 0	450 0 0	160 0 0	54 0 0	72 0 0	20 0 0
10.	East Kilbride, ...	37 0 0	20 0 0	2 0 0	5 0 0	7 0 0	3 0 0
11.	Strathaven, ...	42 0 0	30 0 0	1 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	7 0 0
12.	Larkhall, ...	126 0 0	112 0 0	5 0 0	2 0 0	4 0 0	3 0 0
13.	Hamilton, ...	342 0 0	232 0 0	25 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	5 0 0
14.	Blantyre, ...	*204 0 0	84 0 0	75 0 0	10 0 0	25 0 0	10 0 0
15.	Cambuslang, ...	160 0 0	125 0 0	14 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	3 0 0
16.	Wishaw, ...	209 0 0	184 0 0	...	9 0 0	11 0 0	5 0 0
17.	Motherwell, ...	266 0 0	210 0 0	20 0 0	10 0 0	20 0 0	6 0 0
18.	Shotts, ...	128 0 0	100 0 0	...	1 0 0	10 0 0	17 0 0
19.	Cadder and Shettleston, ...	170 0 0	120 0 0	...	11 0 0	26 0 0	13 0 0
20.	Rutherglen, ...	295 0 0	145 0 0	105 0 0	12 0 0	23 0 0	10 0 0
	Additional provision to meet contingencies, ...	150 0 0	71 0 0	78 0 0	...	...	...
		£4,320 0 0	£2,600 0 0	£845 0 0	£279 0 0	£419 0 0	£177 0 0

* Includes the first equipment, furnishing, and establishment of Local Offices.

PART III.—SUMMARY

YEAR TO 31st MARCH, 1919.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Expenses of Local Committee.						
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	2,117	0	0			
(B) Office Expenses, ...	220	0	0			
(C) Members' Expenses, ...	100	0	0			
(D) Other Expenses, ...	750	0	0			
				3,187	0	0
				3,187	0	0
Expenses of Sub-Committees.						
(A) Staff Expenses—						
Remuneration of Local Clerks, including clerical assistance, ...	2,600	0	0			
(B) Office Expenses, ...	845	0	0			
(C) Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	279	0	0			
(D) Postages, Telegrams, and Telephone Calls, ...	419	0	0			
(E) Miscellaneous, ...	177	0	0			
				4,320	0	0
Total, ...				7,507	0	0

5th June, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO,
Clerk to the Local Committee.

The above Estimate of £7,507 was approved by the County Council of the County of Lanark on the day of , 1918.

Date,.....

.....
County Clerk.

ABSTRACT.

	Supplementary Estimate. 17th May, 1917, to 31st March, 1918. 10½ Months. £ s. d.	Estimate for Year to 31st March, 1919. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
Expenses of Local Committee—			
(A) Staff Expenses, - - - - ...	As per	2,117 0 0	...
(B) Office Expenses, - - - - ...	Statement I.	220 0 0	...
(C) Members' Expenses, - - - ...	do.	100 0 0	...
(D) Other Expenses, - - - - ...	do.	750 0 0	...
	231 19 10	3,187 0 0	3,418 19 10
Expenses of Sub-Committees—			
(A) Staff Expenses— Remuneration of Local Clerks and Treasurers, including clerical assistance, - - ..	As per	2,600 0 0	...
(B) Office Expenses, - - - - ...	Statement I.	845 0 0	...
(C) Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, - - - - ...	do.	279 0 0	...
(D) Postages, Telegrams, and Telephone Calls, &c., - - - ...	do.	419 0 0	...
(E) Miscellaneous, - - - - ...	do.	177 0 0	...
	128 19 8	4,320 0 0	4,448 19 8
Grand Total, - - ...	360 19 6	7,507 0 0	7,867 19 6
Deduct 2/3rds payable by H.M. Treasury, ...	240 13 0	5,004 13 4	5,245 6 4
leaving to be raised by Assessment, ...	120 6 6	2,502 6 8	2,622 13 2

as follows:—

County of Lanark—	Valuations.		Apportionment.
(1) Landward, - - - - - - - - -	£2,048,345 0 0		
(2) Police Burghs,			
Biggar, - - - - £7,695 0 0			
Motherwell, - - - 230,832 0 0			
Wishaw, - - 100,708 0 0	£339,235 0 0	£2,387,580 0 0	£2,055 17 2
Royal and Parliamentary Burghs—			
Airdrie, - - - - - -	£98,917 0 0	...	85 3 6
Coatbridge, - - - - -	222,850 0 0	...	191 17 9
Hamilton, - - - - -	168,614 0 0	...	145 3 9
Lanark, - - - - -	33,040 0 0	...	28 9 0
Rutherglen, - - - -	134,832 0 0	658,253 0 0	116 2 0
		£3,045,833 0 0	£2,622 13 2

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 5th June, 1918.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LOCAL CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON WAR SAVINGS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Local Central Committee on War Savings for the County of Lanark. — 5th June, 1918.

Present—

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. — WILLIAM LOVE.
ROBERT LAMBIE. — WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

Mr. Christie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 6th March, 1918, which had already been submitted to and approved of by the County Council at their meeting on 9th May, 1918, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The chairman explained that the meeting had been called following on a letter received by him from the Honorary Secretary, advising that County Councillor J. Raeside Auld has offered to institute on his own initiative, and at his own expense, a campaign in the County, with the view to stimulating public interest in the sale of War Bonds and War Savings Certificates. — Offer by County Councillor J. Raeside Auld to organise campaign to stimulate public interest in sale of War Bonds and War Savings Certificates.

The meeting, after consideration, asked the Honorary Secretary to convey to Mr. Auld their appreciation of the generous and patriotic spirit that had prompted his proposals, and their good wishes for the success of his scheme, and to say that the committee would be pleased to intimate his proposals to the various Sub-Committees on War Savings throughout the County Council's area, as well as to the various War Savings Associations affiliated to the Local Central Committee; with the request that they would communicate with Mr. Auld direct as to any arrangements they might wish to make with him. — Committee's thanks to Mr. Auld and arrangements for his proposals.

It was also agreed that the Scottish War Savings Committee should be advised of Mr. Auld's public-spirited offer, in case it might fit in with any of their arrangements as the supervising authority. — Scottish War Savings Committee also to be advised.

The Honorary Secretary reported that, as had been informally intimated at the County Council meeting in May, the approximate sum raised in the County Council's area during War Weapons Week, 8th to 13th April, was approximately £250,000, a result that had been considered satisfactory, especially when it was kept in view that the Burghs would get a considerable contribution from the County areas adjacent thereto. — Report on War Weapons Week.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c,

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, the 12th day of June, 1918, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward, appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destruction Works at Cambuslang. — 12th June, 1918.

Present—

WILLIAM LOVE.
Colonel KING STEWART.
JAMES TONNER.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM WALKER.
OWEN COYLE.

Attending—

T. Ross, Acting Resident Engineer.
W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 20th February, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted an application, of date 20th May last, from the Destructor staff, asking for a further increase of wages of 7s. per week, "owing to the high cost of living." — Application for increase of wages.

The meeting, after a consideration of the whole position as affecting all the employees under present conditions, unanimously resolved that an increase should be granted to all employees, and fixed the amounts as follows, as from 8th June:— — Increase granted.

Acting Resident Engineer, ...	10s. 0d.	per week.
All other adult employees, ...	4s. 0d.	,,
Boy, ...	2s. 6d.	,,

The result of the above increase is as follows:—

	Present wage.	With increase.
Acting Resident Engineer, ...	£4 10 0	£5 0 0
Shift Engineers, ...	3 1 11	3 5 11
Cable Jointer, ...	3 1 11	3 5 11
Assistant Jointer, ...	2 17 4	3 1 4
First Fireman, ...	2 17 4	3 1 4
Assistant Fireman, ...	2 15 1	2 19 1
Labourers, ...	2 11 9	2 15 9
Boy, ...	0 13 6	0 16 0

It was further agreed that the allowance for flue-cleaning be increased from 7s. 6d. to 10s.

Adjustment of payment as between Destructor and Electricity Works.

The Clerk explained that, in view of the increase in wages paid to the employees on the Destructor, it was now necessary to revise the payment for destruction of refuse so as to adjust the payment for calorific power, and he submitted a statement showing the comparative results for years 1914 to 1918. After an explanation by the District Engineer, the meeting unanimously agreed that the price to be charged for the destruction of refuse, as from 15th May, 1917, be increased from 1s. 1d. to 1s. 5d. per ton.

Rutherglen refuse.

The meeting further agreed that the price for the destruction of refuse from the Burgh of Rutherglen be increased from 2s. to 2s. 4d. per ton.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *1st October, 1918.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Statutory October Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Offices, Hamilton, *on Thursday, 10th current, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof as the case may be, and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1919.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancies in—

(1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal: and

(2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

There will be submitted to the Meeting a Report by the Finance Committee, a print of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

As required by Statute, it will fall to the meeting to appoint a representative on the Clyde Navigation Trust.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

A print of the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council held on 7th August last is sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan, countersigned by Mr. Owen Coyle:—"In view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the Milk Supply in the County of Lanark."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY OFFICES, HAMILTON,

On THURSDAY, 10th OCTOBER, 1918,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council, held on 7th August, 1918.

5. If so resolved, fill the vacancies in :—

   (1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal.
   Petition in favour of the appointment of Mr. Alexander A. Keith, Forth Bank, Lenzie.

   (2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

6. Appointment of Representative to Clyde Navigation Trust.

7. Report of Finance Committee and Estimates of Rates.

8. Consider Estimates and impose Rates.

9. Fix date for payment of Rates and date for lodging Appeals.

10. Appoint Committees for hearing and disposing of Appeals.

11. Instruct as to Collection of Rates charged on Railway Companies.

12. Appoint Collectors of Consolidated Rates.

13. Remit to Finance Committee to make Regulations for Collection of Rates, with powers.

14. Reports by District Committees :—

    (1) Upper Ward.
    (2) Middle Ward.
    (3) Lower Ward.

15. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

    (1) Food Control Committee, of dates 8th July (page 1) and 19th August, 1918 (page 3).

    Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar, of date 8th July, 1918 (page 6).

    Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 8th July (page 8) and 19th August, 1918 (page 9).

    Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of date 19th August, 1918 (page 11).

    Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Bread and Flour, of date 19th August, 1918 (page 12).

    Note.—The above minutes of the Food Control Committees and Sub-Committees are submitted only for the information of the Council.

    (2) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 7th August (page 15) and 4th September, 1918 (page 16).

    (3) Finance Committee, of dates 7th August (page 19), 4th September (page 24), and 2nd October, 1918 (page 33).

    Resolutions to borrow the following monies :—

    (*a*) £350 for erection of a piggery, &c., at Bellshill Slaughter-house and alterations on the Superintendent's house.

    (*b*) £215 for erection of lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting District.

    (4) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 4th September, 1918 (page 39).

    (5) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 4th September, 1918 (page 41).

    (6) County Road Board, of date 4th September, 1918 (page 45).

    Recommendation that the following road be added to the List of Roads, Highways and Bridges made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878 :—

    In the District of the Upper Ward—
    Parish of Douglas.

Road leading from the Corsethill Highway at Braehead House, Douglas, past the Public School to a point in line with the west corner of the south-west staircase in the Parish Church—a distance of 140 yards or thereby.

(7) Executive Committee, of date 11th September, 1918 (page 49).

(8) Public Health Committee, of date 11th September, 1918 (page 57).

(9) Weights and Measures Committee, of date 25th September, 1918 (page 61).

(10) Joint Meeting regarding Reconstruction after the War, of date 25th September, 1918 (page 77).

(11) General Purposes Committee, of date 2nd October, 1918 (page 79).

Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918.

16. Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan:—"In view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the milk supply in the County of Lanark."

17. Documents for execution, if any:—

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 7th August, 1918, being a General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the notice hereinafter inserted. 7th August, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Wm. K. Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
William Lamb.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O., and Mr. Tonner. Apologies for absence.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Notice calling meeting.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 29*th July*, 1918.

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a General Meeting of the County Council, to be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County

Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 7th proximo, at Two o'clock p.m.*, for the purpose of considering and disposing of Reports and Minutes of Committees, of which copies will be sent to you before the date of meeting, and for transacting any other competent business.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 9th May, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire conferred on Colonel King Stewart.—Congratulations.

Mr. George Fraser, on behalf of the members of the Council, offered their hearty congratulations to the Convener on the honour conferred upon him by the King, and Sir Robert returned thanks for the compliment.

Honours conferred on Mr. Joseph Sullivan and Mr. James Tonner.—Congratulations.

The meeting at the same time congratulated Mr. Joseph Sullivan and Mr. James Tonner on the honours conferred upon them, and Mr. Sullivan, in the absence of Mr. Tonner, acknowledged the compliment.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the statutory meeting of the Council, held on 9th May, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Appointment of representative to Council from Burgh of Lanark.

There was submitted a communication from the Town-Clerk, Lanark, of date 15th May, 1918, intimating the appointment of Provost William Lamb as the Burgh representative on the County Council.

Letter from Mr. John P. Kinghorn accepting office as a member of the Council.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. John P. Kinghorn, The Anchorage, Rutherglen, accepting office as a member of the County Council for the Rutherglen Electoral Division of the County.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to Capital Works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I to this minute), which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the Council.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 30th June, 1918 (forming Appendix II to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by District Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

A report by the District Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, for the quarter ended 30th June, 1918 (forming Appendix III to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, was submitted.

Minutes of committees, &c.

The following minutes of committees and sub-committees, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 29th April, 6th, 9th, and 27th May, and 17th June, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of dates 27th May and 17th June, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar, of date 27th May, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 27th May, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of date 17th June, 1918.

(The above minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees were submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(2) Valuation Committee (Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards), of date 9th May, 1918.

(3) Executive Committee, of date 29th May, 1918.

(4) General Purposes Committee, of date 29th May, 1918.

(5) Public Health Committee, of date 29th May, 1918.

(6) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 29th May and 19th June, 1918.

(7) Joint-Committee on Rural Development, of date 29th May, 1918.

(8) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 5th June and 3rd July, 1918.

(9) Finance Committee, of dates 5th June and 3rd July, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of date 24th April, 1918.

Sub-Committee on District Collection Offices, of date 5th June, 1918.

(10) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 5th June, 1918.

(11) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 12th June, 1918.

Education (Scotland) Bill.

Under reference to the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, so far as relating to the Education (Scotland) Bill, the Clerk reported that, at a meeting of the committee held that day, it had been agreed that further efforts should be made with a view to providing that the deficiency in the Education Fund should be met by a County rate levied on the gross valuation of all lands and heritages in the County. The meeting approved.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and

to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener, or any other member of the Council, and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £100 for the construction of sewer from Forth Public Slaughter-house to connect with sewer from Wilsontown Terrace.

(*b*) £615 14s. 1d. to complete Cleland Housing Scheme.

(*c*) £2,511 14s. 10d. to complete Harthill Housing Scheme.

(*d*) £150 for reconstruction of sewer in Uddingston Special Drainage District (additional).

(*e*) £64,062 7s. 2d. to meet extra expenditure for the purpose of Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony.

Remit to Local Central Committee on War Savings.

On the motion of Mr. Auld, it was remitted to the Local Central Committee on War Savings to consider and report on his proposal that a representation be made in favour of placing the administration of Scottish War Savings in the hands of a popularly elected Authority, in respect that the movement had now become a national one, and would likely continue long after the war.

Minutes approved.

The meeting thereafter approved of the minutes of the several committees and sub-committees above-mentioned.

Lanarkshire Committee in charge of the Prisoners of War Relief, the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).—Appointment of Mr. Campbell to represent Council.

There having been submitted a communication from Mrs. Vandeleur, Hamilton, of date 14th June, 1918, inviting this County Council to nominate a representative to the Lanarkshire Committee in charge of the Prisoners of War Relief, the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), the meeting, on the motion of Mr. Sullivan, unanimously agreed to nominate Mr. John Campbell as the Council's representative on the committee.

Salary of Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

There was also submitted a communication from Mr. W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 29th June, 1918, intimating that the District Committee have unanimously agreed to increase his salary of £1,000 by £100 annually until a maximum salary of £1,500 is reached. The meeting approved.

Communication from Ministry of Food.

The Clerk submitted and read a communication from the Ministry of Food, of date 15th July, 1918, intimating an extension of the term of office of members of Food Control Committees.

Documents for execution.

There having been submitted the following documents for execution, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same, in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the common seal of the County, viz.:—

(1) Memorandum between the Trustees of His Grace the late Duke of Hamilton and the County Council, constituting additional feu-duty on subjects forming Hallside Police Station.

(2) Conveyance by the County Council in favour of the Caledonian Railway Company of small portions of Slaughter-house, Drainage Works, and Destructor feus at Blantyre, for improvement of the railway.

(3) Lease between the *inter vivos* Trustees of the late Peter Forrest and the County Council of Farm of Hairmyres.

Stanrigg Colliery disaster.—Inauguration of Relief Fund.

The chairman having referred to the unfortunate disaster which had recently occurred at Stanrigg Colliery, in the Parish of New Monkland, stated that the question of inaugurating a Relief Fund for behoof of the wives and dependants of the men who lost their lives had been considered by the Business Committee, who had agreed to recommend the County Council that such a Fund should be established in co-operation with the Lanarkshire Miners' Union, the Coalmasters' Association, the Town Council of the Burgh of Airdrie, and others; that the County Council should, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, contribute to the fund out of the Equivalent Grant a sum of £500. The chairman also intimated that, at a public meeting held at Stanrigg, representatives had been appointed to wait upon the Council on the subject, and he introduced to the meeting a deputation, consisting of the Rev. W. O. Duncan, minister of Clarkston, and Mr. James Murdoch, of the Lanarkshire Miners' Union.

Mr. Duncan and Mr. Murdoch having made a statement in support of the proposal, that a Relief Fund should be inaugurated, thanked the Council for receiving them. The meeting thereafter unanimously agreed to the recommendations of the Business Committee and resolved accordingly. The meeting further agreed that the Relief Fund should be vested in Trustees, and that, if after meeting the needs of the sufferers from the Stanrigg disaster any balance should remain unexpended, the Trustees should have power to apply the balance in affording relief in any case of distress that might arise in the County from any other disaster of a similar character.

The meeting remitted to the Business Committee, with the full powers of the Council, to take such action in connection with the establishment and administration of the Fund as they may think proper.

Milk supply in the County.

Mr. Sullivan having desired, as a matter of urgency, to move a motion relating to the milk supply in the County, but having failed to obtain the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Council present, the matter fell.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

Thursday, 10th October, 1918.

ACCOUNTS.

The following statement shows the amount of expenditure, and the assessments levied, since the inception of the County Council :—

	Expenditure.	Assessments Levied.
Year 1890-91, ...	£151,224 8 2	£98,416 19 1½
„ 1891-92, ...	174,582 7 1½	88,969 3 10½
„ 1892-93, ...	176,187 1 0½	95,110 15 9
„ 1893-94, ...	254,040 1 7½	98,225 15 5
„ 1894-95, ...	281,435 3 1	104,590 14 2½
„ 1895-96, ...	258,568 2 4	115,228 1 5
„ 1896-97, ...	224,119 3 3½	116,813 10 7½
„ 1897-98, ...	215,481 5 4	121,188 12 2
„ 1898-99, ...	240,642 6 7½	127,232 15 2
„ 1899-1900, ...	281,758 2 4	154,996 15 1½
„ 1900-01, ...	320,309 9 8	169,226 16 5½
„ 1901-02, ...	305,107 0 0	180,228 7 5
„ 1902-03, ...	297,058 18 3½	183,882 0 8½
„ 1903-04, ...	317,304 7 8½	195,132 0 6½
„ 1904-05, ...	306,456 12 8½	198,415 11 6½
„ 1905-06, ...	328,363 0 11	202,100 7 2½
„ 1906-07, ...	321,815 17 10	211,591 2 5
„ 1907-08, ...	339,840 0 1½	216,908 8 1
„ 1908-09, ...	369,302 10 6	232,244 6 2½
„ 1909-10, ...	336,705 18 7½	224,177 12 1½
„ 1910-11, ...	380,877 11 0	234,377 16 3½
„ 1911-12, ...	394,244 4 3½	242,407 8 7
„ 1912-13, ...	399,443 4 3½	244,386 13 2
„ 1913-14, ...	427,583 15 10½	269,319 11 1
„ 1914-15, ...	506,159 12 3	277,721 7 10
„ 1915-16, ...	485,917 12 1	280,749 7 4
„ 1916-17, ...	499,566 19 11	288,634 17 11
„ 1917-18, ...	Not yet certified	300,707 7 10

The amount borrowed during the year was £43,029 12s. 7d., while debt to the extent of £51,919 16s. 4d. was either paid off or provided for by way of Sinking Fund, making a decrease of £8,890 3s. 9d. in the loan indebtedness of the County, the net amount of which at Whitsunday last was £1,309,180 8s. 4d.

ESTIMATES FOR 1918-1919.

Estimates of the Receipts and Expenditure for the current financial year are submitted herewith (Appendix). Those in connection with the Constabulary have been considered by the Standing Joint-Committee, those relating to Highways by the County Road Board, while those of the District Committees are based upon information furnished by them. They have received careful consideration at the hands of the Committee, and the Council are recommended to impose the several rates therein mentioned to meet the requirements of the current year.

VALUATION OF COUNTY.

The following is a note of the approximate valuation of the County for the current year as compared with that of last year:—

	1918-1919.			1917-1918.			Increase.	Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total.	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Upper Ward, -	352,525 6 0	56,797	409,322 6 0	353,901 15 0	57,155	411,056 15 0	...	1,734 9 0
Middle Ward, -	1,555,080 13 6	205,538	1,760,618 13 6	1,549,653 12 10	185,107	1,734,760 12 10	25,858 0 8	...
Lower Ward, -	212,982 8 7	38,880	251,862 8 7	203,517 8 10	37,645	241,162 8 10	10,699 19 9	...
	2,120,588 8 1	301,215	2,421,803 8 1	2,107,072 16 8	279,907	2,386,979 16 8	36,558 0 5	1,734 9 0

Net Increase, ... £34,823 11 5

Landward, ... £19,054 9 5

Burghal, ... 15,769 2 0

34,823 11 5

GEORGE FRASER,
Chairman.

2nd October, 1918.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET.

ESTIMATES OF THE EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1918-1919, PREPARED IN TERMS OF SECTION 71 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
				I.—CONSTABULARY.		
				GENERAL EXPENDITURE.		
				Expenditure.		
2,420		2,221		Salaries and Wages of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...		3,195
73		3		Clothing of Headquarters Staff, Reserve Recruits, and Special Constables, ...		80
50		25		Lighting and Cleaning—Headquarters, ...		50
100		50		Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings—Headquarters, ...		100
210		207		Travelling and Office Expenses—Headquarters, ...		210
5		3		Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles—Headquarters, ...		5
150		295		Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising, ...		300
235		231		Rents of Police Barracks and Constables' Houses, and Feu-duty on Headquarters, ...		235
55		40		Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...		55
70		63		Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...		70
150		94		Expenses connected with Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners, ...		130
625		625		Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...		625
500		500		Repayment of Debt—Police Headquarters, ...		500
160		121		Interest on Debt— do. (less Interest on Sinking Fund),		135
70		48		Travelling and Incidental Expenses of Constables, ...		70
100		34		Travelling and Office Expenses—General, ...		100
105		100		Police Surgeon—Salary (£100) and Outlays (£5), ...		105
100		120		Police Architect—Salary and Travelling Allowance, ...		120
30		7		Bicycles for Constables, ...		15
200		98		Interest on Bank Account, ...		150
25		20		Children Act, 1908—Expenses of Administering, ...		25
200		127		Police Char-a-Banc Running Expenses, ...		150
2,800		2,658		Augmentation of Army Pay of Constables on Military Service, ...		3,600
75		31		Miscellaneous, ...		75
8,508						10,100
				Receipts.		
	717		717	Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...	£717	
	200		222	Government Grant in respect of Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners.	200	
	5		1	Government Grant under Children Act, 1908, ...	5	
	40		38	Rents retained from Constables, ...	40	
	330		330	Rent payable by Hamilton District for portion of Headquarters set apart for use of that District, ...	330	
	20		14	Instalments of cost of Bicycles repaid by Constables, ...	15	
	110		116	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion), ...	115	
	73		73	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	70	
	13			Miscellaneous, ...	8	
						1,500
1,508	1,508	7,721	1,511			
		1,511		Amount required, ...		8,600
7,000		6,210				
				Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuation—		
				Hamilton Police District—Estimated Valuation, £1,032,000,	£3,925	
				Motherwell Police District—Estimated Valuation, £229,000,	871	
				Upper Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £409,000,	1,556	
				Airdrie Police District—Estimated Valuation, £358,000, ...	1,362	
				Lower Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £233,000,	886	
						8,600

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

LOCAL EXPENDITURE.

HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
3,208		2,836	Share of General Expenditure, ...	3,925
1,050		963	Rents, Feu duties, &c., ...	1,050
120		84	Rates, Taxes, and Insurance.	120
300		181	Telephone Rentals and Trunk Line Fees, ...	300
200		208	Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	200
700		676	Lighting, Cleaning, &c..	700
55		55	Proportion of Rent of Police Barracks, Motherwell.	55
2,100		2,100	Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...	1,100
750		669	Interest on Debt (do.), (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	675
14,416		12,969	Pay of Police, ...	19,025
643		35	Clothing of Police, ...	740
280		272	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	320
250		221	Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	250
50		43	Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles.	50
190		198	Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	200
20		6	Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	20
120		33	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
180		144	Miscellaneous, including Expenses of Constables changing Stations, ...	180
24,632				28,910

Receipts.

	151		151	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...£2,962	
	1,150		1,150	Contribution from Burgh of Wishaw under Consolidation Agreement, 1,150	
	4,040		4,042	Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ... 4,042	
	150		142	Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, 150	
	430		420	Rents retained from Constables. 430	
	60		54	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion), ... 54	
	3		5	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 4	
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ... 10	
	95			Miscellaneous, ... 108	
					8,910
6,079	6,079	21,693	5,964		
		5,964		Amount required, ...	20,000
18,553		15,729			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,032,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{18}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £13,545	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £956,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{72}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £6,373	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 149	
				6,522	
					20,067

(Last year, $2\frac{119}{120}$d. and $1\frac{58}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate. $1\frac{66}{120}$d.

MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
710		628	Share of General Expenditure, ...	871
200		200	Rents, &c..	200
30		16	Rates and Taxes, ...	25
20		14	Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees.	20
10		—	Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	10
120		86	Lighting, Cleaning, &c..	100
374		374	Proportion of Rent of Police Barracks, Motherwell, ...	374
2,539		2,030	Pay of Police, ...	3,514
122		7	Clothing of Police, ...	155
45		39	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	50
35		16	Travelling and Incidental Expenses and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	30
5		—	Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	5
20		20	Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	20
10		3	Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	10
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
20		23	Miscellaneous, including Expenses of Constables changing Stations, ...	71
4,260		3,456	*Carry forward,*	5,455

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
4,260		3,456	
	905		905
	738		736
	3		3
	62		62
	20		21
1,728	1,728	3,456	1,727
		1,727	
2,532		1,729	

	£	£
Brought forward, ...		5,455
Receipts.		
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£1,034	
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	736	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	3	
Rents retained from Constables, ...	62	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	20	
		1,855
Amount required, ...		3,600
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £229,000.		
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{114}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,815	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £228,000.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield	831	
		3,646

Last year, $2\frac{59}{120}$ and $\frac{50}{120}$ per £.
Average Rate, $2\frac{9}{120}$d.

UPPER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

				£
—		—	*Expenditure.*	
			Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
1,256		1,124	Share of General Expenditure, ...	1,556
280		270	Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...	280
40		27	Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	40
80		64	Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	80
110		57	Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	110
120		132	Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	130
4,665		4,680	Pay of Police, ...	6,233
192		11	Clothing of Police, ...	283
75		68	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	100
130		107	Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners,	120
55		57	Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	55
100		91	Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	100
5		1	Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	5
10		31	Interest on Bank Account, ...	30
50		59	Miscellaneous, including Expenses of Constables changing stations, ...	48
7,168				9,170
	367		367	*Receipts.*
	410		412	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £526
	1,322		1,322	Contribution from Burgh of Lanark, ... 460
	30		29	Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing. 1,322
	2		2	Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, 30
	170		165	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 2
	20		18	Rents retained from Constables. 170
	50		12	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion), ... 17
				Miscellaneous, ... 43
2,371	2,371	6,779	2,327	2,570
		2,327		Amount required, ... 6,600
4,797		4,452		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £409,000.
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{88}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £4,658
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £316,000.
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{54}{120}$d. per £ will yield £1,909
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 104
				2,013
				6,671

(Last year, $2\frac{21}{120}$d. and $\frac{107}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $1\frac{34}{120}$d.

AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT.

				£
—		—	*Expenditure.*	
			Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
1,112		983	Share of General Expenditure, ...	1,362
550		530	Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...	545
100		74	Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	100
150		109	Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	150
150		72	Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings.	150
200		212	Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	210
225		225	Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...	225
65		45	Interest on Debt (do.), (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	52
2,552		2,250	*Carry forward,*	2,794

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		
£	£	£	£		£
2,552		2,250		*Brought forward,*	2,794
7,158		6,592		Pay of Police, ...	8,775
320		18		Clothing of Police, ...	422
115		115		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	120
170		139		Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	150
30		25		Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	30
100		96		Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	100
10		6		Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	10
60		35		Interest on Bank Account, ...	50
70		67		Miscellaneous, including Expenses of Constables changing stations, ...	99
10,585					12,550
				Receipts.	
	295		795	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...£1,874	
	1,860		1,856	Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ... 1,856	
	80		93	Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, 90	
	22		41	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 50	
	210		210	Rents retained from Constables, ... 210	
	35		36	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion), ... 35	
	350		335	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ... 335	
					4,450
2,852	2,852	9,343	3,366		
7,733		5,977		Amount required, ...	8,100
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £358,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{103}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £5,756	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £335,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{94}{120}$d. per £ will yield £2,489	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 49	
				2,538	
					8,294
				(Last year, $3\frac{86}{120}$d. and $1\frac{77}{120}$d. per £.)	
				Average Rate, $2\frac{9}{120}$d.	

LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.	
—	—			Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
714		639		Share of General Expenditure, ...	886
700		632		Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...	700
90		127		Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	130
100		92		Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	100
130		59		Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	130
150		142		Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	150
50		50		Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...	50
13		9		Interest on Debt (do.), (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	10
6,122		5,466		Pay of Police, ...	7,521
279		15		Clothing of Police, ...	350
60		57		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	75
150		107		Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners,	130
25		21		Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	25
70		64		Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	70
20		10		Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	20
50		75		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
80		129		Miscellaneous, including Expenses of Constables changing stations, ...	112
8,803					10,459
				Receipts.	
	403		403	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...£1,175	
	1,680		1,674	Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ... 1,674	
	70		88	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 90	
	1,150		1,150	Contribution from Burgh of Rutherglen under Consolidation Agreement. 1,150	
	120		136	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion), ... 130	
	210		217	Rents retained from Constables and Rents of Subjects in Lenzie, ... 215	
	1,007		1,000	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ... 965	
			—	Interest on Bank Account, ... 10	
	50		—	Miscellaneous, ... 50	
4,690					5,459
	4,690	7,694	4,668		
		4,668		Amount required, ...	5,000
4,113		3,026			

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
29,521		29,634		*Brought forward,*	29,650
				Receipts.	
	808		808	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £1,361	
	30		40	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 40	
	100		239	Interest on Bank Account, ... 249	
				———	1,650
938	938	29,634	1,087		
		1,087		Amount required, ...	28,000
28,583		28,547		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,293,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{67}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £14,889	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,086,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{56}{120}$d. per £ will yield £12,748	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 418	
				——— 13,166	
				(Last year. $1\frac{80}{120}$d. and $1\frac{69}{120}$d.) ———	28,055
				Average Rate, $\frac{11}{120}$d.	

IV.—REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Expenditure

				Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
				Salaries of Registration Officers and Expenses in respect of remuneration of their staffs and other persons employed in the preparation of the First and Second Registers under the Representation of the People Act, 1918, say	7,000
				Printing, say	4,000
				Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	60
					11,060
2,880		2,054			
				Receipts.	
	1,342		1,342	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...£1,041	
				Government Grant, ... 5,500	
				Contribution from Burgh of Coatbridge, ... 400	
				Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 8	
				Interest on Bank Account, ... 5	
	371		262	Miscellaneous, ... 106	
				———	7,060
1,713	1,713	1,604	1,604	Amount required, ...	4,000
1,167		450		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,358,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{34}{120}$d. per £ will yield £2,784	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,145,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{17}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...£1,266	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 28	
				——— 1,294	
					4,078
				(Last year, $\frac{17}{120}$d. on Owners only.)	
				Average Rate, $\frac{17}{120}$d.	

V.—VALUATION.

Expenditure.

110		136		Copying Valuation Roll for Parishes, ...	140
35		28		Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	35
50		116		Law Expenses, ...	50
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
				Fees of Experts assisting Assessor in connection with the Re-valuation of Public Works, &c., ...	50
—		—			
5		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—
200					275
				Receipts.	
	3		5	Fees received for Excerpts, ... 6	
	49		49	Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts. 49	
				———	55
52	52	280	54		
		54		Amount required, ...	220
148		226		Transferred from County General Assessment Account, ...	220
				(Last year, £148.)	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

VI.—DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

				Expenditure.	£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
100		—		Cost of administering Tuberculosis Order, 1913, ...	100
500		500		County Veterinary Surgeon's Department, ...	525
20		27		County Veterinary Surgeon—Instruments, Chemicals, ...	30
125		125		Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...	125
9		10		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	10
45		45		Allowances to Police Inspectors administering the Act, ...	45
60		40		Constabulary Outlays administering Act, less sums received, ...	60
100		—		Compensation to Owners of Animals slaughtered, other than under Tuberculosis Order, ...	100
120		85		Destroying Carcases, ...	120
50		27		Books, Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	50
20		—		Travelling and Office Expenses, ...	20
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
50		27		Expenses of administering Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, ...	50
15		14		Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees, ...	15
25		25		Grant to Public Health Account towards Expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory, ...	25
—		—		Expenses of Conferences, ...	—
5		5		Fees to Veterinary Surgeons for Notification of Cases of Disease, ...	5
25		—		Payments to Veterinary Surgeons for Professional Services, ...	25
100		2		Miscellaneous, ...	100
1,369					1,405
				Receipts.	
	756		756	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £701	
	70		71	Contributions from Burghs of Coatbridge and Lanark, ... 72	
	2		2	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 2	
	—		—	Government Grant under the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, ...	
	167		166	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ... 160	
	30			Sums received for Carcases of Animals Slaughtered under the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, ... 25	
	—		—	Fees received for Analyses under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, ...	
	10		5	Interest on Bank Account, ... 5	
1,035	1,035	932	1,000		965
334			932		
			68	Amount required, ...	540
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,358,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{4}{120}$d. per £ will yield £327	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,145,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{4}{120}$d. per £ will yield £298	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 14	
				312	639

(Same as last year.)

VII.—COURT HOUSES.

(*a*) AIRDRIE.

				Expenditure.	
17		17		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
26		25		Salary of Keeper, ...	25
370		370		Repayment of Debt (Capital Account), ...	500
80		81		Interest on Bank Account (Debt), ...	80
5		5		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5
8		5		Special Water Charges and Insurance, ...	5
506					615
				Receipts.	
	—		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £21	
	78		—	Government Grant towards upkeep (four years), ... 103	
	220		223	Contributions from Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge, ... 225	
	1		1	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 1	
	—		6	Interest on Bank Account, ... 5	
299	299		230		355
				Amount required.	260
207		503			
		230		Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £438,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield £152	
		273		Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £413,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield 143	
					295

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
104		104	
145		146	
150		95	
140		136	
25		21	
3		—	
5		5	
		1	
572			
	—		—
	188		188
	40		40
	35		12
	—		—
263	263	508	240
		240	
309		268	

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
52		52	
70		104	
20		56	
60		65	
7		7	
200		200	
30		31	
5		4	
1		—	
445			
	—		—
	103		103
	90		—
	—		—
	—		—
193	193	519	103
		103	
252		416	

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
900		—	
30		25	
700		705	
3,650		3,457	
70		107	
100		—	
50		1	
5,500		4,295	

(*b*) HAMILTON.

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Salary of Keeper and Assistant,	150
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	150
Cleaning, Lighting, and Ventilating,	140
Special Water Charges and Insurance,	25
Interest on Bank Account,	3
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	5
Miscellaneous,	—
	473

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£74	
Government Grant towards upkeep,	188	
County General Assessment. General Account—for accommodation provided for Justices of the Peace,	40	
Contribution from Burgh of Hamilton,	6	
Interest on Bank Account,	5	
		313
Amount required,		160
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,278,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{2}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£89	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,204,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{2}{120}$d. per £ will yield	84	
		173

(Last year, $\frac{4}{120}$d. and $\frac{4}{120}$d. per £.)

(*c*) LANARK.

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	164
Salary of Keeper.	104
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	60
Cleaning, Lighting, and Ventilating,	80
Special Water Charges and Insurance,	7
Repayment of Debt (Capital Account),	200
Interest on Bank Account (Debt),	30
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	5
Miscellaneous,	3
	653

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	—	
Government Grant towards upkeep,	£103	
Contribution from Burgh of Lanark,	90	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		193
Amount required,		460
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £409,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{20}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£284	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £316,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{20}{120}$d. per £ will yield	219	
		503

(Last year, $\frac{10}{120}$d. and $\frac{10}{120}$d.)

VIII.—GENERAL PURPOSES.

WHOLE COUNTY (INCLUDING POLICE BURGHS).

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Cost of County Council Elections (brought forward from last year),	900
Association of County Councils in Scotland—Annual Subscription and Expenses of Meetings,	25
Printing, Advertising, &c.,	800
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff,	3,650
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	115
Expenses opposing Bills and Provisional Orders in Parliament,	100
Expenses of Parliamentary Agents (General).	20
Carry forward,	5,610

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
5 500		4,295		*Brought forward,*		5,610
				Net Administrative Expenses of the County of Lanark Local Committee under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., (Administrative		
1,995		1,868		Expenses) Act, 1917, ...		2,055
50		—		Expenses of Statutory Prosecutions, ...		50
100		68		Expenses of Motor Car Acts, Cinematograph Act, &c., ...		100
450		450		Auditor's Fee, ...		450
500		326		Books and Stationery.		500
60		55		Fees to Jurors under Fatal Accidents Inquiry Act, ...		60
180		177		Rooms for Meetings, ...		180
110		86		Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees, ...		110
350		153		Travelling and Office Expenses, ...		200
100		—		Law Expenses, ...		100
200		89		House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911, Expenses of administering,		200
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...		—
25		21		Insurance, ...		25
50		16		Expenses interviewing Government Departments, ...		50
155		1		Miscellaneous.		120
9,825		7,605				9,810
				Receipts.		
	1,154		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£2,369	
	200		245	Interest on County Reserve Moneys (proportion).	245	
	1,300		897	Fees received under Motor Car Acts, ...	900	
	25		18	Fees received under the Cinematograph Act, ...	20	
	15		24	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	24	
	10		47	Interest on Bank Account, ...	65	
				Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow		
	434		432	Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	420	
	—		—	Miscellaneous, ...	67	
						4,110
3,138	3,138	7,605	1,663			
		1,653		Amount required, ...		5,700
6,687						
		5,942		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,358,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{44}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£3,602	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,145,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{44}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£3,277	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	83	
					3,360	
						6,962
				(Last year, $\frac{45}{120}$d. and $\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)		
				(a) ADDITIONAL FOR WHOLE COUNTY, EXCLUDING POLICE BURGHS.		
				(Shops Act, 1912, and National Registration Act, 1915.)		
				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		—
50		9		Shops Act, 1912—Expenses of Administering, ...		50
350		674		National Registration Act, 1915—Expenses of Administering, ...		700
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...		—
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		—
—		2		Miscellaneous, ...		—
400						750
				Receipts.		
	261		193	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£9	
	—		—	Shops Act, 1912—Fines Recovered.	—	
	—		—	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property.	—	
				Government Grant towards Expenditure of administering National		
	320		498	Registration Act, 1915, ...	674	
	6		—	Miscellaneous, ...	—	
	—		2	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						683
	587	685	693			
	400		685	Amount required, ...		67
	187		8	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,022.000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{1}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£70	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,813,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{1}{120}$d. per £ will yield	63	
						133
				(No Assessment last year.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
200		229	
—		—	
4		1	
204			
	254		254
	—		—
	4		3
	5		6
	263	230	263
	204		230
	59		33
150		137	
14		18	
164			
	1,798		1,798
	50		71
	2		2
	1,850	155	1,871
	164		155
	1,686		1,716
—		—	
1		1	
—		—	
70		70	
73		51	
1		—	
—		—	
145			
	7		7
	74		73
81	81	122	80
		80	
64		42	

(*b*) ADDITIONAL FOR WHOLE COUNTY (EXCLUDING POLICE BURGHS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE BURGH OF BIGGAR).

(Children Act, 1908.)

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Payments to Reformatories for Maintenance of Youthful Offenders,	300
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	5
Miscellaneous,	4
	309

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£34	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	1	
Children Act, 1908—Contribution by Burgh of Lanark,	4	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	39
		270

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,030,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{2}{120}$d. per £ will yield £141
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,821,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{2}{120}$d. per £ will yield 126
267

(No Assessment last year.)

(*c*) ADDITIONAL FOR LOWER WARD SHERIFF COURT-HOUSES.

Expenditure.

County's Quota of Maintenance Assessment,	£150	
Income Tax paid on Bank Interest,	20	
		170

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£1,716	
Interest on Bank Account,	70	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	2	
		1,788

No Assessment proposed.
(Last year no Assessment.)

(*d*) ADDITIONAL FOR BOTHWELL ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1
Interest on Bank Account,	—
Repayment of Debt,	70
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	55
Interest due to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co.,	—
Miscellaneous,	—
	126

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year.	£27	
Annual Return from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co. (less Tax),	69	
		96
Amount required,		30

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,300.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £23
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,800.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 23
46

(Last year, $\frac{45}{120}$d. and $\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
8		8	
3		3	
1		3	
215		215	
230		157	
1		—	
—		1	
458			
	—		—
	245		243
	2		6
247	247	387	249
		249	
211		138	
26		26	
2		—	
2		—	
56		56	
67		48	
1		—	
—		—	
154			
	—		—
	60		58
60	60	130	58
		58	
94		72	
1,423		1,423	
900		900	
940		940	
35		43	
100		130	
1,830		1,805	
240		160	
250		386	
130		121	
375		280	
13		14	
6,236		6,202	

(e) ADDITIONAL FOR BELLSHILL ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1
Interest on Bank Account,	—
Repayment of Debt,	215
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund,	175
Interest due to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co.,	—
Miscellaneous,	5
	396

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£74	
Annual Return from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co. (less Tax),	240	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	2	
		316
Amount required,		80

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £52,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £54
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £51,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 53
107

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

(f) ADDITIONAL FOR BLANTYRE ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1
Interest on Bank Account,	—
Repayment of Debt,	56
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	48
Interest due to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co.,	—
Miscellaneous,	4
	109

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£31	
Annual Return from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co. (less Tax),	58	
		89
Amount required,		20

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £52,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield £18
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £51,000.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield 18
36

(Last year, $\frac{30}{120}$d. and $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

(g) ADDITIONAL FOR CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	900
Repayment of Debt,	970
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	30
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	60
Interest on Bank Account,	1,970
Generation of Electricity,	470
Distribution of Electricity,	400
Public Lamps—Repairs, Renewals, and Attending (recovered as per Receipts),	140
Rates and Taxes,	32
Management Expenses,	1
Insurance,	
Carry forward,	5,28

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
6,236		6,202		*Brought forward,*		5,280
				Receipts.		
	—			Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£35	
	2,500		3,535	Sale of Current, ...	3,120	
	250		386	District Committee—Public Lamps, Repairs, and Renewals, ...	400	
	5		—	Miscellaneous, ...	22	
	3		4	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	3	
						3,580
2,758	2,758	3,925	3,925			
				Amount required, ...		1,700
3,478		2,277				
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £94,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£881	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £92,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	867	
						1,748
				(Last year, 3d. and 3d. per £.)		
				(*h*) ADDITIONAL FOR SHETTLESTON ELECTRIC LIGHTING.		
				Expenditure.		
3		3		Income Tax paid on Bank Interest, ...		
				Receipts.		
			367	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
	367		15	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	14					
		3	382	No Assessment required.		
	381		3	(No Assessment last year.)		
	3					
			379			
	378					
				(*i*) ADDITIONAL FOR UDDINGSTON ELECTRIC LIGHTING.		
				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year		—
2		2		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		1
1		4		Interest on Bank Account, ...		3
105		105		Repayment of Debt, ...		105
112		76		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund,)		90
1		—		Interest due to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co., ...		—
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...		1
221						200
				Receipts.		
	12		12	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£45	
	116		115	Annual Return from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company (less Tax), ...	115	
						160
128	128	187	127			
		127		Amount required, ...		40
93		60		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £51,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£27	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £50,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	27	
						54
				(Last year, $\frac{30}{120}$d. and $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
1000		1,000	
1000		847	
200		108	
130		78	
500		544	
400		631	
360		330	
230		270	
100		31	
50		18	
50		7	
150		286	
60		13	
80		80	
75		71	
75		47	
4,460		4,361	
—		189	
220		142	
100		16	
250		250	
90		74	
5		18	
75		70	
4,094		3,415	
500		—	
—		—	
95		21	
9,889		5 56	
	10		£10
	1,311		1,311
	550		654
	75		8
	—		—
	156		153
	25		25
	100		161
	—		20
	—		—
2,227	2,227	2,342	2,342
7,662		6,214	
220		220	
350		276	
800		711	
80		9	
70		79	
150		12	
1,670		1,307	

IX.—PUBLIC HEALTH—GENERAL.

Expenditure.

		£
Medical Officer's Department—		
Medical Officer—Salary,	£1,000	
Assistant Medical Officers and Tuberculosis Officers—Salaries,	1,000	
Do. do. —Expenses, &c.,	200	
Chemist—Salary,	100	
Bacteriologist and Assistants—Salaries,	650	
Inspection of Dairy Herds,	630	
Clerical Assistance,	360	
Travelling and Office Expenses,	270	
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising,	100	
Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees,	30	
Chemicals, Apparatus, and Furnishings for Laboratories,	50	
Upkeep of Bacteriological Laboratory,	300	
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	60	
Keeper's Salary,	80	
Rates, Taxes, Insurance, and Feu-duty,	75	
Cleaning, Lighting, &c.,	75	
		4,980
Expenses connected with Maternity and Child Welfare Schemes, including cost of Medical Officers	600	
Expenses enforcing provisions of Rivers Pollution Act,	150	
Expenses in connection with Treatment of Venereal Disease,	100	
Repayment of Debt (Public Health Offices),	250	
Interest on Debt do. (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	75	
Expenses of Sanitary Congresses and Subscriptions to Associations,	23	
Interest on Bank Account,	75	
Expenses of Fire Brigades Account (No. X.),	3,200	
Expenses (proportion) promoting Lanarkshire County Council Water, &c., Order, 1915-17 (brought forward from last year),	500	
Law Expenses,	500	
Miscellaneous,	47	
		5,520
		10,500

Receipts.

		£
Contribution from Burgh of Biggar towards Salary of Medical Officer,	£10	
Government Grant towards Cost of Medical Officers and Sanitary Inspectors,	1,310	
Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant,	650	
Venereal Disease Grant,	75	
Maternity and Child Welfare Grant,	350	
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912,	150	
Grant from Diseases of Animals Account towards expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory,	25	
Fees received from other Local Authorities and Medical Practitioners for Medical Officer's Reports on specimens submitted,	160	
Treatment of Tuberculosis—Expenditure recovered from Burghs of Biggar and Lanark,	20	
Miscellaneous,	50	
		2,800
Amount required,		7,700

(Last year, £7,662.)

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuations :—

		£
Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £401,000,	£1,527	
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1,389,000,	5,289	
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £232,000,	884	
		7,700

X.—FIRE BRIGADES.

Expenditure.

		£
Salaries of Firemaster (£150), Instructor (£30), and Clerks (£40),		220
Wages of Mechanicians,		350
Firemen's Allowances,		900
Repairs and Furnishings of Stations,		50
Heating, Lighting, and Cleaning of Stations,		80
Firemen's Clothing and Equipment,		200
Carry forward,		1,800

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
1,670		1,307	
150		56	
10		7	
80		58	
15		11	
220		219	
40		36	
10		6	
120		87	
50		63	
120		111	
200		56	
2,685		2,017	
1,200		1,200	
306		280	
4,191		3,497	
	70		65
	17		15
	10		—
	—		3
	—		—
97	97		
4,094		3,497	83
		83	
		3,414	

		£
Brought forward, ...		1,800
Maintenance of Engines, ...		150
Maintenance of Apparatus and Appliances, ...		10
Petrol.		80
Oil and Grease, ...		15
Insurance, ...		220
Travelling Expenses—Headquarters, ...		40
Printing, Advertising, &c., ...		10
Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees, ...		120
Interest on Bank Account, ...		50
Rents, Rates, and Taxes—Fire Stations and Mechanicians' Houses, ...		120
Miscellaneous, ...		—
		2,615
Repayment of Debt—Stations, £400; (Debt on Engines now repaid), ...		400
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...		250
		3,265

Receipts.

Contributions towards cost of Fire Brigade—			
Burgh of Lanark, ...	£52		
,, Biggar, ...	12		
		£64	
For services of Fire Brigade.		—	
Miscellaneous, ...		1	
Interest on Bank Account, ...		—	
			65
Amount required.			3,200
Transferred from Public Health General Account (No. IX.), ...			

(Last year, £4,094.)

XI.—ROAD BOARD.

Expenditure.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
125		125	
10		1	
3		3	
2		2	
140		131	

		£
Proportion of County Clerk and Treasurer's Salary, ...		125
Printing and Advertising, ...		1
Interest on Bank Account, ...		3
Miscellaneous, ...		2
Amount required, ...		131

(Same as last year.)

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuations:—

Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £401,000, ...	£26	
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1,389,000, ...	90	
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £232,000, ...	15	
		131

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

NOTE.—Mileage of County Roads, 540 miles 4 furlongs 4 yards.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
				Expenditure.		£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
				Maintenance —		
8,951		7,396		Surface Labour, ...	£10,132	
9,895		7,069		Materials for Surface Repairs (including final instalment of £200 towards repayment of loan for Tar-Macadam Plant), ...	9,732	
—		—		Do.. Supplementary to Road Surveyor's Estimate,	2,000	
784		1,161		Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	840	
450		854		Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	450	
—		—		Footpaths, Kerbing, and Causewaying Crossings, ...	—	
						23,154
				Miscellaneous—		
50		19		Mile-plates and Finger-posts, ...	£50	
300		136		Metal Depots, Old Toll-houses, and Tool-sheds— Rents, Feu-duties, Taxes, and Upkeep, ...	200	
—		4		Compensation for Accidents, ...	—	
—		1		Engineer's Fees and Inspector of Works' Wages, ...	—	
						250
1,000		232		Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...		—
				Management and Miscellaneous—		
270		275		Salaries of District Clerk and Treasurer and Staff (proportion),...	£300	
250		265		Salary of District Surveyor, ...	280	
70		81		Rent, Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of Offices, ...	80	
100		89		Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	100	
50		44		Postage, Receipt and Agreement Stamps, and Petty Outlays, ...	50	
150		165		Travelling and Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...	200	
—		—		Law Expenses, ...	—	
				Other Expenses—		
5		—		Miscellaneous, ...	5	
—		2,702		Expenditure under the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, ...	—	
						1,015
800		800		Repayment of Debt, ...	£400	
405		367		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	365	
28		26		Proportion of County Road Board Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 15, ...	26	
100		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
250		247		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	250	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
						1,041
23,908		21,933				25,460
				Receipts.		
			4,784	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£5,239	
	4,784		111	Rents of Old Toll-houses, ...	110	
	110		99	Composition from Caledonian Railway Company, &c., ...	100	
	100		30	Grush, Sand, Metal, &c., sold, ...	30	
	—		15	Subvention from Burgh of Biggar, ...	15	
	15		623	Government Grant towards cost of maintaining Roads, ...	625	
	800		2,125	Proportion of Government Grant in relief of Local Rates, ...	1,800	
	2,000		116	Hire of Road Rollers, &c..	50	
	10		11	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	10	
	10		300	Grant from Imperial Road Board, ...	300	
	485		—	Compensation for Extra Traffic—Damage to Roads, &c., ...	—	
	—		5	Interest on County Reserve Monies, ...	5	
	5		—	Disbursements refunded, ...		
	—		104	Interest on Bank Account, ...	116	
	—		150	Sale of Motor Car, ...	—	
	—		450	Sale of Road Roller, ...	—	
	—		38	Miscellaneous, ...	60	
	—					8,460
8,319	8,319	8,961	8,961			
15,589		12,972		Amount required, ...		17,000

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
1,506		1,216	
300		290	
100		60	
90		56	
60		68	
150		—	
—		—	
50		11	
1,500		1,229	
1,500		1,175	
200		69	
—		157	
300		213	
80		106	
—		—	
700		702	
20		22	
—		—	
270		275	
100		124	
100		108	
20		13	
50		35	
—		—	
—		5	
20		14	
480		480	
395		349	
90		86	
—		—	
8,081		6,863	
	1,971		1,971
	400		480
	70		81
	220		231
	4		4
	—		—
	—		—
	450		500
	15		38
	350		503
	—		1
	80		111
	—		9
3,560	3,560	3,929	3,929
4,521		2,934	

			£
Amount required, ...			17,000
Owner's Estimated Valuation of District. £401,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield		£10,025	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £309,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£7,725		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	1,230		
		8,955	
			18,980

(Last year, $5\frac{90}{120}$d. and $5\frac{90}{120}$d.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...			—
Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 14, ...			1,527
Salaries and Expenses of Sanitary Officers—			
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' Salaries, ...		£300	
Travelling Expenses and Subsistence of Sanitary Inspectors, ...		100	
Clerical Assistance, ...		70	
			470
Salaries and Expenses of other Officials—			
Meat Inspectors, ...			75
Health Visitor, ...			—
Engineer's Fees and Inspector of Works' Wages and Expenses, ...			—
Fees for Notification of Diseases, ...			50
Upkeep of Hospitals—			
Roadmeetings, ...			1,500
Treatment of Patients—			
In Institutions of other Local Authorities, ...		£1,500	
Dispensary and Domiciliary, ...		200	
			1,700
Maternity Service and Child Welfare, ...			600
Interments, Disinfecting, and Removing Patients and Clothing, ...			250
Cleaning Sewers and Cesspools, and Scavenging, &c., ...			80
Fire Plugs and Fire Hydrants.			—
Upkeep of Slaughter-houses at Carluke, Douglas, Forth, and Lesmahagow, ...			710
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...			25
Expenses in connection with Housing, ...			—
Management and Miscellaneous—			
Salaries of District Clerk and Treasurer and Staff (proportion).		£300	
Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of District Offices, ...		130	
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...		120	
Travelling and the Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...		20	
Postage Stamps and Petty Outlays, ...		50	
Law Expenses, ...		—	
			620
Other Payments—			
Expenses of Sanitary Congresses, Subscriptions to Associations,		£5	
Miscellaneous, ...		127	
			132
Repayment of Debt (Hospitals, £245; District Offices, £35; Slaughter-houses, £200).		£480	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund).		370	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.		90	
Interest on Bank Account, ...		—	
			940
			8,679

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		£3,142	
Slaughter-house Dues.		450	
Rent of Office charged to Highways Account.		80	
Rent of Tripery, and Manure sold, ...		230	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...		4	
Child Welfare Grant, ...		75	
Venereal Diseases Grant, ...		5	
Tuberculosis Grant, ...		500	
Treatment of Patients in Hospital, ...		34	
Sum received from Insurance Committee for Treatment of Patients in Sanatoria, ...		500	
Disbursements refunded, ...			
Interest on Bank Account, ...		150	
Miscellaneous, ...		10	
			5,180
Amount required, ...			3,499

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
				Amount required, ...	3,499
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £401,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £2,924	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £309,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £2,253	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 169	
				2,422	
					5,346
				(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)	

III.—SPECIAL WATER DISTRICTS.

BLACKWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
100		118		Price of Water purchased. £100	
75		72		Rents, Taxes, &c., ... 75	
30		3		Repairs and Upkeep, ... 20	
34		37		Salary of Water Superintendent, and Wages of Workmen, ... 44	
1		—		Miscellaneous, ... 1	
					240
10		10		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £10	
235		235		Repayment of Debt, ... 235	
190		177		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 176	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
					421
675		652			661

Receipts.

	194		194	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £154	
	40		83	Special Water Charges, ... 60	
	10		10	Interest on Bank Account, ... 7	
					221
244	244	287	287		
				Amount required, ...	440
431		365			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,360.	
				An Assessment thereon at 9d. per £ will yield £276	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,700.	
				An Assessment thereon at 9d. per £ will yield 251	
					527
				(Same as last year.)	

BRAIDWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
100		101		Price of Water purchased. £100	
25		20		Rents, Taxes, &c., ... 20	
5		1		Repairs and Upkeep. 5	
15		15		Wages of Superintendent, ... 15	
3		3		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 3	
1		—		Miscellaneous, ... 1	
					144
8		4		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £5	
60		60		Repayment of Debt, ... 60	
35		31		Interest on Debt (less interest on Sinking Fund), ... 30	
					95
252		235			239

Receipts.

	90		90	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £157	
	40		113	Special Water Charges, ... 50	
	5		5	Interest on Bank Account. 7	
					214
135	135	208	208		
				Amount required, ...	25
117		27			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,800.	
				An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield £60	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100.	
				An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield 51	
					111
				(Last year, 5d. and 5d. per £.)	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
500		477	
60		30	
25		14	
43		49	
12		12	
1		—	
11		11	
65		65	
10		9	
727		667	
	152		152
	180		181
	10		10
342	342	343	343
385		324	

CARLUKE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Price of Water purchased,	£500	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	30	
Repairs and Upkeep,	25	
Salary of Superintendent and Wages of Workmen,	50	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	12	
Miscellaneous,	1	
		618
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£11	
Repayment of Debt,	65	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	5	
		81
		699

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£149	
Special Water Charges,	180	
Interest on Bank Account,	10	
		339
Amount required,		360

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £19,600.
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ... £245
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,900.
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ... £224
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 10
234
479

(Same as last year.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
60		110	
55		57	
20		14	
—		—	
6		6	
155		155	
65		63	
—		—	
361		405	
	5		5
	3		5
8	8	10	10
353		395	

CARNWATH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	£31	
Price of Water purchased,	100	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	55	
Repairs and Upkeep,	20	
Miscellaneous,		
		206
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	—	
Repayment of Debt,	£155	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	58	
Interest on Bank Account,	1	
		214
		420

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		—
Special Water Charges,		5
Amount required,		415

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,100.
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ... £207
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,000.
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ... 204
411

(Last year, $6\frac{30}{120}$d. and $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
20		19	
10		9	
8		12	
2		3	
—		—	
—		—	
2		2	
35		35	
42		40	
—		1	
119		121	
	21		21
	3		6
	—		—
24	24	27	27
95		94	
—		—	
70		56	
50		53	
20		13	
—		4	
2		3	
45		45	
55		53	
—		1	
242		228	
	9		9
	—		—
9	9	9	9
233		219	

CARSTAIRS SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Price of Water purchased,	£20	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	10	
Repairs and Upkeep,	8	
Salary of Water Superintendent,	2	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		40
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£2	
Repayment of Debt,	35	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	40	
Interest on Bank Account,	1	
		78
		118

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£6	
Special Water Charges,	5	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		11
Amount required,		107
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,100.		
An Assessment thereon at 1s. per £ will yield	£55	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,000.		
An Assessment thereon at 1s. per £ will yield	50	
		105

(Same as last year.)

CRAWFORD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Price of Water purchased,	£65	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	55	
Repairs and Upkeep,	20	
Wages of Workmen,	—	
		140
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£3	
Repayment of Debt,	45	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	53	
Interest on Bank Account,	1	
		102
		242

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£5	
Special Water Charges,	—	
		5
Amount required,		237
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,750.		
An Assessment thereon at 10d. per £ will yield	£115	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,600.		
An Assessment thereon at 10d. per £ will yield	108	
		223

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
6		8	
8		4	
2		2	
21		26	
—		—	
2		2	
30		30	
16		16	
—			
85		88	
	7		7
	10		12
	5		5
22	22	24	24
63		64	
—		—	
60		69	
100		106	
165		126	
—		—	
14		13	
220		220	
255		246	
—			
814		780	
	14		14
	50		63
	4		—
	—		1
	—		—
68	68	78	78
746		702	

DOUGLAS SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£10	
Repairs and Upkeep.	5	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2	
Wages of Superintendent, ...	25	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		42
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2	
Repayment of Debt, ...	30	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	15	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		48
		90

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£10	
Special Water Charges.	—	
Interest on Investment, ...	—	
		10
Amount required, ...		80

Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £3,700.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £42
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,400.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 39
81

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d.)

FORTH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Salary of Water Superintendent and Wages of Workmen, ...	£85	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	105	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	150	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		340
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	13	
Repayment of Debt, ...	220	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	247	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		480
		820

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£29	
Special Water Charges, ...	60	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
Disbursement refunded, ...	—	
		90
Amount required, ...		730

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,700.
An Assessment thereon at 1s. $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £392
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £5,000.
An Assessment thereon at 1s. $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 344
736

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
5		1	
15		16	
10		8	
5		5	
—		—	
3		3	
80		80	
35		33	
—		—	
153		146	
	5		5
	—		—
5	5	5	5
148		141	

KIRKFIELDBANK SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Price of Water purchased, ...	£5	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	15	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	10	
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	5	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		35
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3	
Repayment of Debt, ...	80	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	32	
Interest on Bank Account.	—	
		115
		150

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£6	
Special Water Charges, ...	—	
		6
Amount required, ...		144

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,000.
An Assessment thereon at $9\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £77
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,850.
An Assessment thereon at $9\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 71
148

(Same as last year.)

LAW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,...	—	
Price of Water purchased, ...	£50	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	50	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	15	
Salary of Water Superintendent, and Wages of Workmen, ...	65	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	7	
Miscellaneous, ...	6	
		193
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		2
		195

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£59	
Special Water Charges, ...	25	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		85
Amount required, ...		110

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,000.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £66
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,500.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £60
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 12
72
138

(Same as last year.)

—		—	
50		17	
50		47	
15		71	
50		55	
7		7	
6		3	
2		2	
180		202	
	93		93
	20		27
	4		2
117	117	122	122
63		80	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		49	
210		218	
150		52	
120		139	
6		6	
20		—	
24		25	
750		750	
445		458	
—		—	
—		1	
1,725		1,698	
	91		91
	190		175
	12		18
	—		—
	—		1
293	293	285	285
1,432		1,413	

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Price of Water purchased,	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	£220	
Repairs and Upkeep,	100	
Salary of Water Superintendent, and Wages of Workmen,	135	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	6	
Miscellaneous,	5	
		466
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£25	
Repayment of Debt,	750	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	404	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		1,179
		1,645

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£131	
Special Water Charges,	175	
Interest on Bank Account,	19	
Disbursements refunded,	—	
Miscellaneous	—	
		325
Amount required,		1,320

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £33,200.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ... £830
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £28,200.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ... £705
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 13
718
1,548

(Same as last year.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
15		14	
20		37	
25		45	
—		—	
4		3	
120		120	
45		44	
—		1	
—		25	
229		289	
	94		94
	2		2
	3		—
	—		9
99	99	105	105
130		184	

PONFEIGH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	£18	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	15	
Repairs and Upkeep,	50	
Salary of Water Superintendent, and Wages of Workmen,	25	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	—	
		108
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£5	
Repayment of Debt,	60	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	65	
Interest on Bank Account,	1	
Miscellaneous,	5	
		136
		244

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	—	
Special Water Charges,	£2	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		2
Amount required,		242

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ... £130
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,800.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ... 120
250

(Last year, 4d. and 4d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
7		7	
—		—	
2		2	
2		2	
1		2	
35		35	
27		24	
—		—	
74		72	
	7		7
	—		—
7	7	7	
67		65	
—		—	
35		32	
5		—	
3		3	
—		—	
3		3	
105		105	
118		115	
—		—	
269		258	
	31		31
	12		12
43	—	45	2
	43		45
226		213	

ROBERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£7	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	—	
Salary of Water Superintendent.	2	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2	
		11
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2	
Repayment of Debt, ...	35	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	25	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		62
		73

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£5	
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
		5
Amount required, ...		68

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £780.
An Assessment thereon at 1s. per £ will yield £39
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £630.
An Assessment thereon at 1s. per £ will yield 31
70

(Same as last year.)

SYMINGTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£35	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5	
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	3	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		43
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3	
Repayment of Debt, ...	105	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	115	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		223
		266

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£19	
Special Water Charges, ...	12	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		32
Amount required, ...		234

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.
An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £127
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.
An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 113
240

(Last year, 8d. and 8d. per £.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
50		48	
5		3	
10		4	
2		2	
1		1	
1		1	
20		20	
6		6	
95		85	
	3		3
	—		1
	—		21
3	3	25	25
92		60	

THANKERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Price of Water purchased, ...	£50	
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	5	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	30	
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	2	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	1	
		88
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1	
Repayment of Debt, ...	20	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	5	
		26
		114

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£32	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	2	
Special Water Charges, ...	10	
		44
Amount required, ...		70

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,900.
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £43
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,780.
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 40
83

(Last year, 6d. and 6d. per £.)

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
15		15	
210		187	
10		10	
45		48	
12		12	
1		—	
9		10	
150		150	
130		147	
—		—	
582		579	
	—		—
	55		55
	1		1
	—		1
56	56	57	57
526		522	

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£200	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	15	
Salary of Drainage Officer and Wages of Workmen, ...	50	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	12	
Miscellaneous, ...	1	
		278
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£10	
Repayment of Debt, ...	150	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	170	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		330
		608

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£11	
Rent of Irrigation Fields, ...	55	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	1	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		68
Amount required, ...		540

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,700.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £273
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,200.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £265
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 1
266
539

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
25		27	
5		17	
10		—	
—		—	
3		3	
80		80	
70		60	
—		3	
193		190	
	—		—
—	—		—
193		190	
—		—	
15		15	
—		—	
5		5	
1		1	
45		45	
4		3	
—		—	
70		69	
	4		4
	4		5
	—		—
8	8	9	9
62		60	
—		—	
15		15	
5		—	
2		2	
15		20	
1		1	
1		1	
—		—	
—		—	
39		39	
	16		16
	—		1
16	16	17	17
23		22	

CARNWATH SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	£8	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	25	
Repairs and Upkeep,	5	
Wages of Superintendent,	10	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		48
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£3	
Repayment of Debt,	80	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	63	
Interest on Bank Account,	3	
		149
		197

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	—	
Amount required,		197
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,650.		
An Assessment thereon at 9d. per £ will yield	£99	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,550.		
An Assessment thereon at 9d. per £ will yield	96	
		195

(Last year, $8\frac{60}{120}$d. and $8\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CROSSLAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	£15	
Repairs and Upkeep.		
Salary of Drainage Officer,	5	
		20
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£1	
Repayment of Debt (Balance, £34 17s. 6d.),	35	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	2	
Interest on Bank Account.	—	
		38
		58

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£11	
Drainage Connections,	4	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		15
Amount required.		43
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,400.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£28	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,100.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£26	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	4	
	30	
		58

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Rent, Taxes, &c.,	£15	
Repairs and Upkeep.	5	
Salary of Clerk to Sub Committee.	2	
Salary of Drainage Officer,	20	
Miscellaneous,	1	
		43
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£1	
Repayment of Debt,	—	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	—	
		1
		44

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£12	
Interest on Bank Account.	1	
		13
Amount required,		31

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
				Amount required, ...	31
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £15	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,500.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £15	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 4	
				19	
					34
				(Same as last year.)	
				LAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year,...	
15		16		Rents, Taxes, &c., ... £15	
7		—		Repairs and Upkeep, ... 7	
50		53		Salary of Drainage Officer, ... 65	
2		2		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee. 2	
1		1		Miscellaneous, ... 1	
					90
2		2		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £2	
30		30		Repayment of Debt. 40	
21		20		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 20	
					62
128		124			152
				Receipts.	
	31		31	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £37	
	1		1	Interest on Bank Account, ... 1	
					38
32	32	32	32		
				Amount required.	114
96		92		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £67	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,500.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £60	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts. 2 62	
					129
				(Same as last year.)	
				LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year,... ... ... —	
22		25		Rents, Taxes, &c., ... £25	
10		1		Repairs and Upkeep, ... 5	
10		10		Salary of Drainage Officer, ... 10	
3		3		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee. 3	
2		—		Miscellaneous, ... 2	
					45
1		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £1	
25		25		Repayment of Debt, ... 30	
15		13		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 13	
					89
88		78			
				Receipts.	
	19		19	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £19	
	1		2	Interest on Bank Account, ... 2	
					21
20	20	21	21		
				Amount required, ...	68
68		57		Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £9,300.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £39	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,750.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £36	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 2	
				38	
					77
				(Same as last year.)	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
5		4	
10		9	
1		1	
2		2	
1		1	
12		12	
7		6	
38		35	
	18		18
	1		1
19	19	19	19
19		16	
—		—	
—		15	
—		7	
—		13	
4		4	
1		1	
—		—	
11		11	
4		4	
—		—	
20		55	
	38		38
	—		—
	1		1
	39	39	39
	20		
		16	
	19		

THANKERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£5	
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	10	
Salary of Drainage Officer, ...	1	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2	
		18
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1	
Repayment of Debt.	12	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	6	
		19
		37

Receipts.

	£	£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£7	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		8
Amount required, ...		29

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,900.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £16
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,770.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 15
31

(Last year, $1\frac{80}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	£17	
Cost of Gas Supply, ...	50	
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	20	
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	15	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	4	
Miscellaneous.	1	
		107
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2	
Repayment of Debt, ...	11	
Interest on Debt, ...	4	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
		18
		125

Receipts.

	£	£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	—	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	£1	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		1
		124

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,800.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £58
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,200.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 57
115

(Last year, no Assessment.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

CROSSLAW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	3
—		—	Cost of Gas Supply, &c., ...	—
—		—	Wages of Lamplighters, ...	—
—		—	Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	—
—		—	Miscellaneous, ...	—
			Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	—
—		—	Repayment of Debt, ...	3
3		3	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
—		—		
				6
3		3		

Receipts.

3	3	3	3	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		—
—		—					

No Assessment proposed.

(Last year, no Assessment.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
15		15		Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£15	
10		13		Wages of Lamplighters.	12	
5		1		Upkeep of Lamps, ...	5	
2		2		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2	34
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	1	
—		—		Repayment of Debt, ...	—	1
32		31				35

Receipts.

9	9	9	9	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		1
23		22		Amount required, ...		34
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.		
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£15	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	15	
						30

(Last year. $\frac{90}{120}$d. and $\frac{90}{120}$d.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		9	
—		5	
3		3	
—		3	
2		2	
1		—	
—		—	
10		10	
3		3	
19		35	
	85		85
	3		4
	—		—
	88		89
	19		35
	69		54

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of Gas Supply,	£15	
Wages of Lamplighters,	10	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	3	
Upkeep of Lamps,	5	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	2	
Miscellaneous,	1	
	—	36
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	—	
Repayment of Debt,	£10	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	3	
		13
		49

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£54	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Sums recovered for Lamps broken and repairs,	—	
		54

No Assessment proposed.

(Last year, no Assessment.)

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets,	£200	
Wages of Inspector,	15	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	4	
Miscellaneous,	1	
		220
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£4	
Interest on Bank Account,	2	
		6
		226

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£34	
Miscellaneous,	—	34
Amount required,		192

		£
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£98	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,200.		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	95	
		193

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

1		1	
200		172	
15		13	
4		4	
1		18	
3		4	
—		1	
224		213	
—	—		—
—	—		—
		19	19
224		194	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£

CARSTAIRS JUNCTION SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
65		65	Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ... £65	
1		1	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 1	
—		—	Cost of New Dust Cart and Repairs, ... —	
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
—		—	Miscellaneous, ... —	
		66		66
			Receipts.	
		5	5	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	12
66		61	Amount required, ...	54
			Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,450.	
			An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £37	
			Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £4,400.	
			An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 36	
				73
			(Same as last year.)	

CROSSLAW SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
18		19	Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ... £18	
1			Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 1	
—			Miscellaneous, ... —	
				19
19		19	*Receipts.*	
			Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	5
			Amount required, ...	14
			Owners Estimated Valuation of District £1,500.	
			An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £9	
			Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,470.	
			An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 9	
				18
			(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)	

DOUGLAS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
36		36	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... £10	
62		67	Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ... 70	
5		5	Rent and Upkeep of Coup, ... 5	
2		2	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 2	
2		2	Miscellaneous, ... 2	
				89
2		2	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £2	
5		5	Repayment of Debt, ... 5	
—		—	Interest on Debt, ... —	
3		4	Interest on Bank Account, ... 4	
				11
117		123		100
			Receipts.	
	—		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	—
117		123	Amount required, ...	100

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

	£
Amount required, ...	100
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.	
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £54	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,500.	
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 51	
	105

(Last year, $3\frac{90}{120}$d. and $3\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

LEADHILLS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

9		9		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... £9			
97		96		Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ... 93			
1		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 1			
2		2		Interest on Bank Account, ... 2			
—				Miscellaneous, ... 1			
							106
109		108					

Receipts.

	—			Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...			
55	55	50	50	Contribution from Marquis of Linlithgow, &c., ... £55			
							55
54		58					
				Amount required, ...			51
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,320.			
				An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £25			
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,280.			
				An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 24			
							49

(Same as last year.)

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—	—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... £19			
120		117		Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ... 150			
25		20		Wages of Inspector, ... 20			
3		3		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 3			
2		1		Miscellaneous, ... 1			
							193
2		2		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			2
		3		Rent and Upkeep of Coup, ...			3
		—		Interest and Bank Account, ...			2
							200
152		146					

Receipts.

	16		16	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... —			
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ... —			
							—
16	16	16	16				
				Amount required, ...			200
136		130		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,300.			
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £107			
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,750.			
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 100			
							207

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
12,000		19,059	
10,000		10,874	
2,800		1,323	
1,100		1,377	
2,000		1,241	
10		2	
100		138	
50			
100		17	
20		7	
22,000		10,346	
500			
—		8	
2,000		2,152	
1,300		955	
700		588	
360		407	
700		463	
350		283	
800		938	
50		7	
100			
4,382		4,382	
300		300	
*2,000		*2,000	
1,450		837	
200			
3,050		2,246	
96		90	
800		732	
—			
—		55	
—		18	
—			
69,318		60,845	

I.—HIGHWAYS.

NOTE.—Mileage of County Roads, 612 miles 6 furlongs 140 yards.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Surface labour, ...	£15,400	
Materials for surface repairs (including quarry rents, &c.), ...	7,300	
Repairs to bridges, culverts, drains, and fences, ...	2,700	
Purchase and repair of tools, ...	1,200	
Footpaths, kerbing, and causewaying crossings, ...	2,700	
Water troughs, fire plugs, &c., ...	5	
Metal depots, old tollhouses, and toolsheds—rent, feu-duties, taxes, and upkeep, ...	150	
Compensation for accidents, ...	—	
Danger-posts erected under Motor Car Act, and mile-plates and finger-posts, ...	20	
Dalmarnock and Rutherglen joint-bridges (proportion), ...	20	
Expenditure under the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, ...	20,000	
Improvement of roads and bridges, ...	500	
Engineers' Fees and Inspector of Works' wages and expenses, ...	—	
		49,995
Management and Miscellaneous—		
Salaries of District Clerk and Treasurer and office staff (proportion), ...	£2,500	
Salaries of District Surveyors and their staffs, ...	1,100	
Salaries of District Engineer and staff (proportion), ...	660	
Rent or feu-duty and cleaning, lighting, &c., of offices (proportion),	450	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	500	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	300	
Travelling and the expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	900	
Law expenses, ...	50	
Other expenses, ...	100	
		6,560
Repayment of Debt—Footpaths, £3,240; Cambuslang Bridge, £190; Rutherglen Bridge, £70; New Roads and Bridges, £900, ...	£4,400	
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	300	
*Repayment of Debt (County of Lanark Tramways), ...	2,050	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Funds), ...	1,250	
Interest on Debt (New District Offices, do.), ...	200	
Interest on Debt (County of Lanark Tramways), ...	2,550	
		10,750
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 15, ...		90
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£900	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	10	
Law Expenses, ...	—	
		910
Carry forward, ...		68,305

* In the event of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company purchasing the Tramways Undertaking as provided by Article Fourth of the Minute of Agreement scheduled to the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912, the Sinking Fund will fall to be paid back into the Road Rate.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
69,318		60,845		*Brought forward,*	68,305
				Receipts.	
	13,320		13,320	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £9,091	
	1,500		1,500	Glasgow, &c., subvention, ... 1,500	
	1,100		1,240	Government grant, ... 1,250	
	57		76	Grant in lieu of rates on Government property, ... —	
	2,200		—	Grant from Imperial Road Board, under Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, ... 3,500	
	—		—	Wagons sold, ... —	
	200		206	Grush, sand, and metal sold. 600	
	—		96	Hire of wagons and road roller, ... —	
	10		9	Rents of old tollhouses, &c., ... 10	
	15		12	Connections to highway drains, ... 10	
	82		82	Compositions from railway companies. 82	
	7		7	Wayleave from telephone companies, &c., ... —	
	900		1,992	Lanarkshire Tramways Company—Mileage payment, ... 2,000	
	3,050		2,246	Repayment of Interest by Lanarkshire Tramways Company, on new lines (1912 Act), ... 2,550	
	100		23	Miscellaneous, ... 90	
	—		265	Disbursement refunded, ... —	
	—		—	Contribution towards Improvements of Roads and Bridges, ... —	
	—		25	Compensation for extra traffic, damage to roads, &c., ... —	
	100		11	Interest on Bank Account, ... 10	
					20,693
22,641	22,641	21,110	21,110		
				Amount required, ...	47,612
46,677		39,735		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,389,000. An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £24,597	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,292,000. An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £22,879	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 1,600	
				24,479	
					49,076
				(Same as last year.)	
				II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	3,230
5,284		4,337		Share of General Expenditure as per apportionment on page 14, ...	5,289
4,000		4,502		District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' salaries and expenses, ... / Health Visitors' salaries and travelling expenses, ... / Meat Inspectors, ...	5,000
—		—		Compensation for accidents, ...	—
1,200		1,567		Salaries and expenses of Nurses, Inspectors. &c., ...	1,810
160		206		Engineer's fees and Inspector of Works' wages and expenses, ...	230
150		89		Fees for notification of diseases, ...	150
—		—		Fees for revaccination, ...	—
				Upkeep of hospitals and sanatoria—	
—		—		Blantyre, ... —	
1,400		1,698		Bothwell (Bellshill), ... £1,200	
—		—		Dalserf, ... —	
5,500		6,854		Hairmyres, ... 6,500	
2,500		2,914		Longriggend, ... 2,800	
12,000		13,512		Middle Ward (Motherwell), ... 13,000	
3,600		4,222		Shotts, ... 4,000	
4,000		4,619		Stonehouse, ... 4,300	
1,200		2,163		Lightburn Joint (proportion), ... 2,000	
					33,800
300		358		Treatment of patients (Domiciliary, &c.), ...	300
				Upkeep of public slaughter-houses—	
250		264		Baillieston, ... £250	
1,800		1,866		Bellshill, ... 1,800	
1,000		1,051		Blantyre, ... 1,000	
700		851		Larkhall, ... 800	
360		336		Shotts, ... 350	
150		119		Stonehouse, ... 120	
350		345		Strathaven, ... 350	
					4,670
45,904		51,873		*Carry forward,*	54,479

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
45,904		51,873		*Brought forward,*		54,479
2,800		2,719		Balance on Housing of the Working Classes Revenue Accounts (page 36),		1,051
1,600		952		Interments and disinfecting and removing patients and clothing, ...		1,000
10				Cleaning sewers and cesspools and scavenging, ...		10
10		24		Fire plugs and fire hydrants, ...		10
400		319		Expenses in connection with housing, ...		300
300		145		Expenses in connection with town planning, ...		150
				Management and Miscellaneous—		
1,300		1,435		Salaries of District Clerk and Treasurer and Staff (proportion), ...	£1,660	
330		366		Upkeep, &c., of offices (proportion), ...	400	
700		588		Salaries of District Engineer and Staff (proportion), ...	660	
700		570		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	500	
200		177		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	200	
650		659		Travelling, and the expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	600	
50		9		Law expenses, ...	10	
160				Miscellaneous.	100	
						4,130
200				Administration of Food Control Orders, ...		
250		587		Administration of Maternity and Child Welfare Services, ...		650
100		13		Administration of Midwives Act, ...		50
200				Expenses (proportion) promoting Lanarkshire County Council Order, 1915 (brought forward from last year), ...		200
—		5		Expenses of Delegates to Medical and Sanitary Congresses, &c., ...		
—				Lighting public roads, ...		
—				Repairs to private streets (recoverable), ...		
—		8		Expenditure in connection with proposed Special District, ...		
				Other payments—		
140		124		Returns of births and deaths and of Conscientious Objectors to Vaccination, ...		130
—				Salary and expenses of Veterinary Inspector, ...		
50		130		Miscellaneous, ...		
—				Transferred to Capital Account for reduction of debt, ...		
9,000		9,000		Repayment of debt (Hospitals, £4,350 ; Slaughter-houses, £1,000 ; Fire Hydrants, £100 ; New District Offices, £300 ; Hairmyres Institution, £4,000), ...		9,750
8,000		7,138		Interest on Debt, ...		8,000
600		557		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		700
—		—		Interest on Bank Account,...		150
—		71		Law Expenses, ...		
—		159		Miscellaneous, ...		134
73,654		77,628				80,894
				Receipts.		
—	7,161		7,161	Balance on hand at beginning of year.	£	
	—		25	Ambulance hires, ...	—	
	6,000		1,267	Treatment of patients in hospital and sanatoria, ...	£7,000	
	—		4,030	Sums received from Insurance Committees, &c., for treatment of patients in sanatoria, ...		
	5,000		5,020	Public slaughter-house fees, dues, &c., and offal sold, ...	5,500	
	—		4	Expenses of interment recovered, ...		
	7,000		7,445	Proportion of Government grant in relief of local rates, ...	6,500	
	10,000		6,920	Government grant for tuberculosis, child welfare, &c., ...	10,000	
	—		428	Disbursements refunded.		
	40		58	Grant in lieu of rates on Government property, ...		
	—		21	Law charges collected by District Treasurer.		
	200		125	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	200		81	Miscellaneous, including repayment of expenses disbursed on behalf of Ministry of Munitions—Housing.	1,500	
	1,600		2,208	Dairy produce, live stock, &c., sold (Hairmyres), ...	2,500	
						33,000
37,201	37,201	34,793	34,793			
36,453		42,835		Amount required, ...		47,894
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £1,389,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£24,597	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £129,200.		
				An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£22,879	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	400	
					23,279	
						47,876
				(Last year $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)		

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
	.. ..		
1,557		1,557	
4,943		4,488	
812		742	
34		1	
137		65	
257		313	
95		20	
201		238	
—		9	
	5,236		4,710
			4
8,036	5,236	7,433	4,714
5,236		4,714	
2,800		2,719	
80		48	
20		23	
30		19	
10		—	
10		—	
10		—	
5		4	
50		50	
10		10	
60		50	
285		204	
	223		223
	10		
233	233		204
52			28

IIA.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

(Housing of the Working Classes.)

	Cleland Scheme— 50 houses.	Harthill Scheme— 100 houses.	Raploch Scheme, Larkhall— 2 houses.	*Mossend Scheme— 200 houses.	Total.
Expenditure.					
	£	£	£		£
Repayment of Debt, ...	200	500	7	—	707
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	565	1,350	18	—	1,933
County and Parish Rates, ...	100	200	6	—	306
Income Tax (Schedule A, less recovered by deduction from Interest on Loans), ...	5	10	2	—	17
Insurance, ...	10	19	1	—	30
Feu-duty, ...	—	41	1	—	42
Supervision and Collection of Rents,	25	20	—	—	45
Reserve Account, for Repairs, ...	33	66	2	—	101
Miscellaneous, ...	—	—	—	—	—
Total Expenditure, ...	938	2,206	37	—	3,181
Receipts.					
Rents (Gross), ...	700	1,400	30	—	2,130
Miscellaneous, ...	—	—	—	—	—
	238	806	7	—	1,051
Transferred from Public Health, Middle Ward, Maintenance Account, ...	238	806	7	—	1.051

* No allowance has been made in connection with the Mossend Housing Scheme in view of the arrangement come to with the Minister of Munitions, whereby the houses are to be taken over by him.

IIB.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

In respect of Drainage Works outside Special Drainage Districts, cost being chargeable on the Public Health Valuation of the Middle Ward District, excluding Valuation of Special Drainage Districts.

Expenditure.

Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...		£50
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...		15
Wages of workmen, ...		30
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...		5
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...		5
Miscellaneous, ...		5
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		—
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage, ...		50
Purification, ...		10
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...		55
		225
Receipts.		
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£299	
Miscellaneous, ...	10	
		309
Amount required, ...		

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		
£	£	£	£		
				Amount required, ...	
				Owners Estimated Valuation, £823,600.	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation, £733,700.	
				(No Assessment proposed.)	
				(Last year, $\frac{5}{120}$d. and $\frac{5}{120}$d. per £.)	

III.—MIDDLE WARD WATER.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year,...		1,285
100		5		Sums paid to other Local Authorities for water.	£300	
9,000		9,197		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., in respect of pipes, meters, filters, &c..	9,000	
1,500		2,127		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep of pipes, meters, filters, &c., ...	1,500	
1,200		1,504		Salaries of water engineers, superintendents, officers, clerks, and assistants,	1,500	
650		717		Salaries of District Clerk and Treasurer and Staff (proportion), ...	800	
330		348		Rent or feu-duty and cleaning, lighting, &c., of offices, ...	360	
200		215		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	200	
140		98		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	100	
450		716		Travelling and the expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	600	
10		10		Law expenses, ...	—	
4,050		5,225		Wages of workmen and uniforms for superintendents and workmen,	4,550	
50		—		Compensation for damage to lands, &c, ...	—	
30		199		Miscellaneous, ...	50	
						18,960
				Repayment of Debt and Interest on Outstanding Debt—	Debt. / Interest.	
				(1) Old Local Authority Works, ...	£250 / £113	
				(2) Glengavel (Supplementary), ...	3,860 / 7,655	
				(3) Camps, ...	3,400 / 8,500	
39,421		39,579		(4) New District Offices, ...	300 / 160	
					£7,810 / £16,428	
					£24,238	
				(5) Glengavel (Annual Instalment—Principal and Interest), ...	19,721	
						43,959
250		—		Expenses (proportion) promoting Lanarkshire County Council Order, 1915 (brought forward from last year), ...	£250	
835		810		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	800	
—		101		Interest on Bank Account, ...	-	
—		—		Expenses opposing Bill, ...	—	
						1,050
58,216		60,851				65,254

Receipts.

	423		423	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
	11,500		11,349	Special Water Charges, &c. (including Railway Companies' arrears),	11,000	
	—		708	Sums received from other Local Authorities for water, ...		
	650		793	Camps—Estate rents (less rates, taxes, &c.), ...	350	
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—		421	Disbursements refunded, ...		
	22		30	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	50	
	350		257	Miscellaneous, ...	800	
						12,200
12,945	12,945	13,981	13,981			
				Amount required, ...		53,054
45,271		46,870				

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts		£
£	£	£	£	*Brought forward,*	
				PUBLIC WATER RATE.	
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,254,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...£7,837	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,162,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £7,262	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts. 400	
				7,662	
				£15,499	
				DOMESTIC WATER RATE.	
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £574,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at 8d. per £ will yield £19,150	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £552,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at 8d. per £ will yield ...£18,417	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 11	
				18,428	
				37,578	
				53,077	
				(Public Water Rate same as last year.)	
				(Domestic Water Rate, last year, $6\frac{60}{120}$d. and $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)	

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

					£
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
25		31		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, fees, &c., ... £30	
2		14		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 3	
—		—		Salaries of Drainage Officers, ... 13	
10		9		Wages of workmen, ... 10	
1		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery. 1	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... 1	
5		5		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 2	
				Repayment of Debt—	
13		13		Sewerage, ... 13	
55		55		Purification, ... 55	
55		50		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 50	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...	
				—	178
167		177		*Receipts.*	
	40		40	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... 101	
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ...	
40	40	40	40	Amount required, ... 77	
127		137		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,700.	
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £72	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,600.	
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 72	
				144	
				(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)	

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

					£
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year....	28
40		59		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... £55	
10		40		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 5	
1		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... 1	
—		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays. ... ... —	
5		6		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 5	
				Repayment of Debt—	
130		130		Purification, ... 85	
130		118		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 125	
—		1		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
				—	275
316		354		*Carry forward,*	303

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
316		354	
	20		20
	—		
	—		
20	20	20	20
296		334	
252		252	
550		578	
90		55	
95		110	
110		123	
12		12	
10		7	
2		2	
5		3	
40		43	
150		150	
430		430	
1,000		962	
—		43	
—		1	
2,746		2,771	
	—		—
	—		—
	—		—
	43		80
	—		—
	—		1
43	43	81	81
2,703		2,690	

		£303
Brought forward, ...		
Receipts.		
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Law Charges collected, ...		
Amount required, ...		£303
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £12,400.		
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£155	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,200.		
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£153	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	1	
	154	
		£309

(Same as last year.)

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.		
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		£97
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	£580	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	140	
Salaries of drainage officers, ...	150	
Wages of workmen, ...	140	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	12	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	5	
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	2	
Compensation for damage to land, &c., ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	45	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage, ...	150	
Purification, ...	430	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	1,050	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	20	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		2,724
		2,821
Receipts		
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
Disbursements refunded, ...		
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Grant in lieu of rates on Government Property, ...	80	
Law Charges collected, ...		
Miscellaneous, ...		
		80
Amount required, ...		2,741
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £61,500.		
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,409	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £60,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,393	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	1	
	1,394	
		2,803

(Last year, $5\frac{30}{120}$d. and $5\frac{130}{120}$d. per £.)

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

BLANTYRE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
65		65	Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	
290		274	Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c.,	275
15		14	Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	40
120		141	Salaries of drainage officers and wages of workmen,	170
15		15	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	15
2		2	Printing, advertising, and stationery,	2
1		1	Postage stamps and petty outlays,	1
—			Engineer's fees,	
30		26	Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	18
			Repayment of Debt—	
230		230	Sewerage,	230
190		190	Purification,	190
300		236	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	230
—		16	Law Expenses,	
		10	Interest on Bank Account,	
1,258			Miscellaneous,	
		1,220		1,171

Receipts.

		£
	—		Balance on hand at beginning of year,	64
	—		Disbursements refunded,	
	—		Interest on Bank Account,	
		5	Miscellaneous,	
	—	5		
1,258		1,215	Amount required,	1,107

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,000.
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield £600
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £47,400.
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ... £593
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 1
594
1,194

(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£	£
—			Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	49
70		70	Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c.,	£70	
10		66	Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	60	
5		7	Wages of workmen,	10	
7		7	Salary of Clerk to Sub Committee,	7	
2		2	Printing, advertising, and stationery,	2	
1			Postage stamps and petty outlays,	—	
4			Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	6	
			Repayment of Debt—		
90		90	Purification,	90	
90		83	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	85	
—			Miscellaneous,		
279		325			330
			Carry forward,		379

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
279		325		*Brought forward,*	379
				Receipts.	
	25		25	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £	
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
	—			Rent of Land and Irrigation Fields, &c., ... —	
	—			Miscellaneous, ... —	
25	25	25	25		
254		300		Amount required, ...	379
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,500.	
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £192	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £20,100.	
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 188	
					380

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

BUSBY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

					£
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year. ... ... £—	
50		66		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... 60	
1		2		Repairs extensions, and upkeep, ... 5	
18		18		Wages of workmen, ... 20	
5		5		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 5	
1		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... —	
3		3		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 5	
				Repayment of Debt—	
10		10		Sewerage, ... 10	
55		55		Purification, ... 55	
90		79		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 80	
234		238			240
				Receipts.	
	35		35	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £	6
	2		2	Interest on Bank Account.	
37	37	37	37		234
197		201		Amount required, ...	
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,450.	
				An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £122	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,300.	
				An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 116	
					238

(Last year, $5\frac{90}{120}$d. and $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
294		294	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —
700		795	Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... £850
100		88	Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 200
75		51	Salaries of drainage officers, ... 60
40		74	Wages of workmen, ... 100
15		30	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 15
2		3	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... 2
2		2	Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... 2
50		70	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 50
92		88	Repayment of Old Debt and Interest, ... —
			Repayment of Debt—
280		280	Sewerage, ... 280
575		575	Purification, ... 575
1,300		1,190	Interest on New Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 1,300
10		47	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
—		11	Miscellaneous, ... —
			— —
3,535		3,598	3,434

Receipts.

	—		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £52
	5		6	Grant in lieu of rates on Government Property, ... —
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
	—		26	Rent of Land and Irrigation Fields, &c., ... —
	80		80	Miscellaneous, ... 100
				152
85	85	112	112	
				Amount required, ... 3,282
3,450		3,486		

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £90,500.
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £1,697
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £89,200.
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £1,673
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ... 5
1,678
3,375

(Last year, $4\frac{90}{120}$d. and $4\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

CARFIN AND CLEEKHIMIN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —
40		39		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... £38
1		—		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 2
5		10		Wages of workmen, ... 10
3		—		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... —
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... —
3		3		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 3
		—		Repayment of Debt—
35		35		Sewerage, ... 35
20		20		Purification, ... 20
60		51		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 55
168		158		*Carry forward*, ... 163

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£ 168	£	£ 158	£	*Brought forward.*	163
				Receipts.	
	48		48	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	39
	5		10	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
53	53	58	58	Amount required, ...	124
115		100		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200.	
				An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £70	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,300.	
				An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 58	
					128
				(Same as last year.)	
				CARNBROE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
—		—		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	
—		—		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	
—		—		Wages of workmen, ...	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	
—		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	
				Repayment of Debt—	
—		—		Purification, ...	
—		—		Interest on Debt,...	
—					
				Receipts.	
	121	—	121	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £127	
	5	—		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
	126		121		
				No Assessment proposed.	
				(Last year, no Assessment.)	
				CHAPELHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	13
35		37		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... £35	
2		27		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 5	
20		26		Wages of workmen, ... 25	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... —	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ... —	
4		4		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 3	
				Repayment of Debt—	
40		40		Purification, ... 40	
75		71		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 71	
—		3		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
177		208			179
				Carry forward, ...	192

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
177		208		*Brought forward,*		192
				Receipts.		
	19		19	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
19	19	19	19			
158		189		Amount required, ...		19
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.		
				An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£98	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.		
				An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	98	
						196
				(Last year, $5\frac{90}{120}$d. and $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)		

CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	£	
45		48		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	48	
3		8		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	5	
15		37		Wages of workmen, ...	30	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
—		—		Compensation for damage to land, &c., ...	—	
—		—		Engineer's fees, ...	—	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
7		6		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	4	
				Repayment of Debt—		
31		31		Sewerage, ...	31	
37		37		Purification, ...	37	
75		70		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	70	
—		2		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						225
214		239				
				Receipts.		
	18		18	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	2
	—	—	—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
	—		2	Miscellaneous, ...	—	
18	18	20	20	Amount required, ...		223
196		219				
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,600.		
				An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield	£115	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield	113	
						228
				(Last year, $5\frac{90}{120}$d. and $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

						£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
180		199		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	£200	
2		1		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	15	
20		25		Wages of workmen, ...	25	
1		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
10		10		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	10	
				Repayment of Debt—		
200		200		Sewerage.	200	
110		110		Purification, ...	110	
320		302		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	305	
—		2		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						865
844		849				

Receipts.

	56		56	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£125	
	120		176	Payment from Town Council of Motherwell, ...	140	
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						265
176	176	232	232			
				Amount required, ...		600
668		617				

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,500.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £328
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 321
649

(Last year, 4d. and 4d. per £.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

						£
37		37		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	...	37
130		119		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	£120	
4		68		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	22	
25		36		Wages of workmen, ...	40	
5		5		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	5	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
15		9		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	10	
				Repayment of Debt—		
90		90		Sewerage, ...	90	
90		90		Purification, ...	90	
200		193		Interest on Debt, (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	200	
						577
597		647		*Carry forward,*		614

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
597		647		*Brought forward,*		614
				Receipts.		
	—		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		
	—		3	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—		1	Miscellaneous, ...		
—	—	4	4	Amount required, ...		614
597		643				
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,800.		
				An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£312	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £8,600		
				An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	304	
						616
				(Same as last year.)		

HAMILTON ROAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
60		64		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	£65	
2		—		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	3	
50		—		Payment to Burgh of Motherwell, ...	60	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
2		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2	
				Repayment of Debt—		
15		15		Sewerage, ...	15	
12		11		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	11	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						156
142		91				
				Receipts.		
	55		55	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£69	
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account.	—	
						69
55	55	55	55			
				Amount required, ...		87
87		36				
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£53	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	53	
						106
				(Same as last year.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

HOLYTOWN AND NEW STEVENSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...
30		35	Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... 35
5		15	Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 25
8		7	Wages of workmen, ... 9
5		5	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 5
5		—	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —
1		—	Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... —
—		—	Engineer's fees, ... —
5		3	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... —
			Repayment of Debt—
70		70	Sewerage, ... 80
20		20	Purification, ... 20
45		49	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 75
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
—		1	Miscellaneous, ... —
194		205	249

Receipts.

			£
	322	322	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £ 312
	1	1	Sums received in lieu of Assessments, ...
	8	3	Interest on Bank Account, ...
	331	326	
			Amount required, ...
	194	205	
	137	121	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £32,000.
			An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £100
			Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £31,800.
			An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 99
			199

(Same as last year.)

LARKHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... — 74
300		398	Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... 390
100		57	Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 100
110		—	Salaries of Drainage Officers. 100
25		122	Wages of workmen, ... 30
15		15	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 15
1		2	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... 2
1		1	Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... 1
—		—	Law expenses, ... —
—		12	Compensation for damage to land, &c., ... —
25		27	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 26
			Repayment of Debt—
250		250	Sewerage, ... 250
230		230	Purification. 230
555		537	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 550
—		—	Miscellaneous, ... —
—		1	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
			1,694
1,612		1,652	*Carry forward.* 1,768

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
1,612		1,652		*Brought forward,*	1,768
				Receipts.	
	123		123	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £	
	—		—	Disbursements refunded, ...	
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	
	80		73	Rents of Land and Irrigation Fields, &c., ... 80	
	—		1	Miscellaneous, ... ———	80
203	203	197	197		
				Amount required, ...	1,688
1,409		1,455			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £37,500.	
				An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £859	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £37,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £848	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts. 2	
				——— 850	
				———	1,709
				(Last year. $4\frac{60}{120}$d. and $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)	
				MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
38		38		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
115		135		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ... £130	
15		44		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ... 80	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —	
1		—		Postage stamps and petty outlays, ... —	
10		8		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 4	
281		281		Repayment of Debt—Sewers, ... 50	
15		17		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 15	
—		4		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ... —	
—		2		Law Expenses, ... —	
				———	279
475		529			
				Receipts.	
	—		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	27
	9		4	Sums received in lieu of assessments, ...	
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	
	—		9	Treatment of Sewage, ...	
9	9	13	13		
				Amount required, ...	252
466		516			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £37,100.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £155	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £36,600.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £153	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 7	
				——— 160	
				(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.) ———	315

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
114		114	
210		242	
25		112	
—		—	
80		113	
—		—	
1		—	
1		—	
20		19	
100		100	
180		180	
550		486	
—		—	
—		9	
1,281		1,375	
	—		—
	—		31
	—		3
	—		3
—	—	37	37
1,281		1,338	

NEWMAINS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		147
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c.,	£240	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	50	
Salaries of drainage officers,	—	
Wages of workmen,	130	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage stamps and petty outlays,	1	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	20	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage,	100	
Purification,	180	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	500	
Interest on bank account,	—	
Compensation for damage to lands, &c.,	—	
		1,221

Receipts.

	£	
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		
Interest on Bank Account,		
Rent of Lands and Irrigation Fields, &c.,		
Miscellaneous,		
Amount required,		1,368
		1,368

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £27,400.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield £685
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £27,300.
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield 683

(Last year, $5\frac{60}{120}$d. and $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
140		152	
50		56	
—		—	
30		25	
15		30	
3		2	
1		2	
11		11	
160		160	
110		102	
—		—	
520		540	
	152		152
	10		9
	—		12
	—		3
162	162	176	176
358		364	

NEWTON AND FLEMINGTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		
Feu-duties wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c.,	£150	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	85	
Salaries of drainage officers,	—	
Wages of workmen,	40	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	15	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	2	
Postage stamps and petty outlays,	2	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	7	
Repayment of Debt—		
Purification,	160	
Interest on Debt,	105	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		566

Receipts.

	£	
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		328
Interest on Bank Account,		
Miscellaneous,		
Rents of land and irrigation fields,		
Amount required,		238
		406

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £28,000.
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £204
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £27,800.
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 202

(Last year, 3d. and 3d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—			
—			
—		4	
—			
—			
—			
—			
—			
—		4	
	20		20
	—		2
			22
			4
	20		18

SALSBURGH SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...		
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	5	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...		
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		
Repayment of Debt—		
Purification, ...		
Interest on Debt, ...		
		5

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		17
Interest on Bank Account, ...		

No Assessment proposed.

(Last year, no Assessment.)

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	30	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	20	
Wages of workmen, ...	35	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	11	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage, ...	200	
Purification, ...	195	
Interest on Debt, ...	320	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		811

Receipts.

	£	£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		138
Law charges collected by District Treasurer, ...		
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Amount required, ...		673

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £25,900.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £351
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £25,700.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 348
699

(Last year, $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

669		698	
	247		247
	—		
	5		
252	252	247	247
417		451	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	—
50		50	
15		25	
1			
1			
4		3	
100		100	
35		31	
—		—	
—		2	
206		211	
	66		66
	—	—	3
	—	—	3
66	66	72	72
140		139	

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	50	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	20	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage, ...	100	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	30	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		203

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		12
Sums received in lieu of Assessment, ...		
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Amount required, ...		191
		203

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £96
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,300.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 95
191

(Last year, $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		10
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	230	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	20	
Wages of workmen, ...	35	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
Postage stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage, ...	140	
Purification, ...	180	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	300	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		930
		940

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
Rent of Land and Irrigation Fields, ...		
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Amount required, ...		940
		940

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
46		46	—
200		236	
5		2	
25		30	
10		10	
1			
1			
—			
16		16	
140		140	
180		180	
345		288	
—		8	
969		956	
—	—		—
	—		1
	—		
—	—	1	1
969		955	

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,700.
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £479
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,300.
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 469
948

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—			
150		133	
50		176	
10		7	
15		15	
1		1	
1			
—			
15		12	
50		50	
200		200	
240		228	
732		822	
	30		30
	—		
	—		
	—		1
30	30	31	31
702		791	

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		17
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c.,	£140	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	100	
Wages of workmen,	10	
Salary of Clerk to Sub Committee,	15	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage stamps and petty outlays,		
Miscellaneous,		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	12	
Repayment of Debt—		
Sewerage,	50	
Purification,	200	
Interest on Debt,	225	
		753

Receipts.

	£	
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,		
Interest on Bank Accounts,		
Old iron sold,		
Interest on Bank Account,		
Amount required,		770
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £47,000.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£392	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,400.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	387	
		779

(Same as last year.)

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—			
—	13		
—	19		
—	26		
—	5		
—			
—	1		
—			
—	1		
3	3		
—			
—	2		
3	70		
	101		101
			1
	101		102
	3		70
	98		32

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		
Cost of gas supply for year,	£35	
Upkeep of lamps,	35	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	48	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	5	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,		
Printing, advertising, and stationery,		
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays,		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2	
Repayment of Debt,	3	
Interest on Bank Account,		
Miscelloneous,		
		128

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		33
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Miscellaneous,		—
Amount required,		95
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,800,		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield,	£55	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,700.		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield,	54	
		109

(Last year no Assessment imposed.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
—		—	Cost of gas supply for year, ...	—
—		—	Upkeep of lamps, ...	—
—		—	Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	—
—		8	Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	—
—		1	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8
—		—	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—
—		—	Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	—
—		—	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	—
7		7	Repayment of Debt, ...	7
6		6	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	5
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
13		22		20

Receipts.

					£	
	205		205	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		198
	10		8	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—		9	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs, ...		
13	215	22	222			
	13		22	Amount required, ...		—
	202		200	Owner's Estimated Valuation of District, £14,700.		
				An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield	£—	
				Occupier's Estimated Valuation of District, £14,500,		
				An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield	—	
						—
				No Assessment proposed.		
				(Last year no Assessment imposed.)		

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
—		82	Cost of gas supply for year, ...	230
—		55	Upkeep of lamps, ...	150
—		52	New lamps, ...	20
—		96	Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	150
—		1	Rents, taxes, &c., ...	—
—		14	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	14
—		2	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—
—		2	Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	—
—		1	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	10
30		30	Repayment of Debt, ...	30
15		11	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	14
—		—	Cost of electricity supply for year, ...	—
—		2	Miscellaneous, ...	—
45		348		618

Receipts.

					£	
	371		371	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		59
	—		24	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs, ...		
	7		—	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...		
	20		9	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—		—	Miscellaneous, ...		
45	398	348	404			
	45		348	Amount required, ...		559
	353		56	Owner's Estimated Valuation of District, £61,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at *1$\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£320	
				Occupier's Estimated Valuation of District, £60,800.		
				An Assessment thereon at *1$\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	317	
						637
				(Last year no Assessment imposed.)		

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£
—			
—			
—			
—			
—			
—		6	
—		15	
—		1	
—		—	
—		2	
40		40	
20		18	
—		—	
60		82	
	579		579
	—		—
	25		21
	—		—
60	604	82	600
	60		82
	544		518

BLANTYRE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of gas supply for year,	£400	
Upkeep of lamps,	180	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	200	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	15	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	6	
Repayment of Debt,	40	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	18	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		859

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£515	
Sums recovered for Lamps broken and repairs,		
Interest on Bank account,		
Miscellaneous,		
		515
Amount required,		344

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £52.000.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield ... £217
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £51,000.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield ... 213
430

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		17	
—		6	
—		4	
—		27	
—		—	
—		12	
—		1	
—		—	
—		1	
20		20	
8		8	
—		—	
28		106	
	293		293
	—		7
	—		9
28	293	106	309
	28		106
	265		203

BOTHWELL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of gas supply for year,	£100	
Upkeep of lamps,	90	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	100	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	12	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3	
Repayment of Debt,	20	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	7	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		332

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£206	
Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs,		
Interest on Bank Account,		
		206
Amount required,		126

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,300.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield ... £93
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,800.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield ... 91
184

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

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1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		16	
—		19	
—		26	
—		—	
—		7	
—		1	
—		—	
—		—	
6		6	
5		4	
—		—	
—		2	
11		81	
			—
			1
—	—		1
			2
		2	
11		79	

BOTHWELL PARK SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of gas supply for year,	£30	
Upkeep of lamps,	30	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	35	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	7	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3	
Repayment of Debt,	6	
Interest on Debt,	4	
Do. on Bank account,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		115

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		2
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Miscellaneous,		—
Amount required,		113

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,750.
An Assessment thereon at *5d. per £ will yield £57
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,730.
An Assessment thereon at *5d. per £ will yield 57
114

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		1	
—		2	
—		1	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		4	
	92		92
	5		3
—	97	4	95
			4
	97		91

BUSBY SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of gas supply for year,	—	
Upkeep of lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	—	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	2	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		2

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		89
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Amount required,		—

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100.
An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,000.
An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —
—

No Assessment proposed.
(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
				CALDERBANK SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—				Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
—				Cost of gas supply for year, ...	
—				Upkeep of lamps, ...	
—				Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	50
—				Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	
—				Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	
—				Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	
—				*Receipts.*	
	69		69	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	71
	3		3	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—
	72		72	Amount required, ...	—
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £17	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 16	
					33
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)	
				CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.	
				Expenditure.	
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
—		770		Cost of gas and electric light supply for year, ...£1,300	
—		408		Upkeep of lamps, ... 400	
—		20		New lamps, ... —	
—		118		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ... 350	
—		14		Rents, taxes, &c., ... 15	
—		30		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee. 15	
—		3		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... 3	
—		2		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ... 2	
—		7		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 17	
95		95		Repayment of debt, ... 95	
55		49		Interest on debt, ... 50	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
—		1		Miscellaneous, ... 1	
					2,248
150		1,517		*Receipts.*	
	1,496		1,496	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £45	
	—		15	Sums recovered from lamps broken, and repairs, ...	
	—		—	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	
	50		47	Interest on Bank Account, ...	
	—		—	Miscellaneous, ...	
					45
150	1,546	1,517	1,558		
	150		1,517	Amount required, ...	2,203
	1,396		41	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £119,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at *$2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £1,116	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £117,200.	
				An Assessment thereon at *$2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 1,098	
					2,214
				(Last year no Assessment imposed.)	

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1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

CARMYLE AND MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
—		—		Cost of gas supply for year, ...	—	
—		—		Upkeep of lamps, ...	—	
—		—		New lamps, ...	—	
—		—		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	—	
—		—		Rents, taxes, &c., ...	—	
—		4		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	4	
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
—		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	—	
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	—	
20		20		Repayment of Debt.	20	
16		15		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	15	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
36		40				39
				Receipts.		
	432		432	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£418	
	15		17	Interest on Bank Account.	—	
	—		9	Sums recovered from lamps broken, ...	—	
						418
36	447	40	458			
—	36	—	40	Amount required, ...		
	411		418			

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £35,000.
An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £34,000.
An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —

No Assessment proposed. —
(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
—		—		Cost of gas supply for year, ...	£50	
—		—		Upkeep of lamps, ...	15	
—		—		New lamps, ...	—	
—		—		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	50	
—		—		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	—	
—		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
—		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	—	
—		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2	
14		14		Repayment of Debt, ...	14	
9		9		Interest on Debt, ...	9	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
23		24				140
				Receipts.		
	143		143	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£126	
	—		3	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						126
	143		146			
23	23	24	24	Amount required, ...		14
	120		122			

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,600.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £40
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,500.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield 40

80
(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

					£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	
—		—		Cost of gas supply for year,	70
—		—		Upkeep of lamps, &c.,	60
—		—		New lamps,	—
—		—		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	90
—		—		Rents, taxes, &c.,	—
—		10		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—
—		1		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays.	2
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2
25		25		Repayment of Debt,	25
16		17		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	15
—		—		Interest on Bank Account,	—
41		54			274

Receipts.

					£
	135		135	Balance on hand at beginning of year,	233
	—		18	Interest on Bank Account,	
41	135	54	153	Amount required,	41
	41		54		
	94		99	Owner's Estimated Valuation of District, £22,500. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £70	
				Occupier's Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000, An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 69	£139

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

					£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—
—		—		Cost of gas supply for year,	—
—		—		Upkeep of lamps,	—
—		—		New lamps,	—
—		—		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	—
—		2		Rents, taxes, &c.,	—
—		4		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	£4
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—
—		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	—
—		10		Repayment of Debt (now repaid),	—
—		—		Interest on Bank Account.	—
—		17			4

Receipts.

					£
	165		165	Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£152
	—		—	Miscellaneous,	—
	5		6	Interest on Bank Account,	—
	170	17	171		152
			17	Amount required,	—
	170		154	Owner's Estimated Valuation of District, £8,600, An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield	—
				Occupier's Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400, An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield	—
					—

No Assessment proposed.
(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

GARTLEA SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...
—		—	Cost of gas supply for year, ... £15
—		—	Upkeep of lamps, ... 6
—		—	New lamps, ... —
—		—	Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ... 15
—		—	Rents, taxes, &c., ... —
—		—	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... —
—		1	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —
—		—	Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ... —
—		—	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 1
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
—		2	Repayment of Debt. 2
		3	39

Receipts.

	41		41 Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... 38
			3
			Amount required, ... 1
	41		38

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,650.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £7
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,620.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield 7
14

(Last year, no Assessment imposed).

GLENGOWAN AND CALDERCRUIX SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year.... ... ... —
—		25	Cost of gas supply for year, ... £80
—		16	Upkeep of lamps, ... 30
—		24	Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ... 50
—		—	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... —
—		1	Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —
—		—	Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ... —
—		—	Miscellaneous, ... —
—		—	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 2
10		10	Repayment of Debt, ... 10
5		6	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 4
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —
15		82	176

Receipts.

	162		162 Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... 86
	5		6 Interest on Bank Account, ... —
15	167	82	168 Amount required, ... 90
	15		82
	152		86

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,700.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £56
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,600.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 55
111

(Last year, no Assessment imposed).

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—			
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
9		9	
10		10	
—		—	
19		19	
	91		91
	—		2
19	91	19	93
	19		19
	72		74

HAMILTON ROAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Cost of electric light supply for year, ...	55	
Upkeep of lamps,...	10	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
Postages, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2	
Repayment of Debt, ...	9	
Interest on Debt,...	10	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		86

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	75
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Amount required, ...		11

Owners' Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £15
Occupiers' Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 15
30

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

HARTHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Cost of gas and electric light supply for year, ...		
Upkeep of lamps, ...		
New lamps, ...		
Lighting private stairs and back courts, ...		
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...		200
Rent, taxes, &c., ...		
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...		
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...		
Miscellaneous, ...		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year....	£	71
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Amount required, ...		129

Owners' Estimated Valuation of District, £4.700.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £69
Occupiers' Estimated Valuation of District, £4,650.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 68
137

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
—		52	
—		13	
—		—	
—		81	
—		4	
—		10	
—		1	
—		—	
—		1	
24		24	
10		9	
—		—	
34		195	
	335		335
	—		6
	20		14
	—		—
34	355	195	355
—	34		195
	321		160

HOLYTOWN, NEW STEVENSTON, AND CARFIN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	£ —	
Cost of gas and electric supply for year,	160	
Upkeep of lamps,	70	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	120	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	6	
Repayment of Debt,	24	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	10	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		400

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£	158
Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs....		
Interest on Bank Account,		
Miscellaneous,		
Amount required,		242

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £38,400.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield £160
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £38,100.
An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield 159
319

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

LARKHALL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		
Cost of gas supply for year,	£170	
Cost of electricity supply for year,	—	
Upkeep of lamps,	120	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	100	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	6	
Repayment of Debt,	15	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	18	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		439

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		245
Miscellaneous,		
Sums received for lamps broken and repairs,		
Interest on Bank Account,		
Amount required,		194

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
—		34	
—		—	
—		26	
—		—	
—		59	
—		4	
—		10	
—		1	
—		1	
—		1	
15		15	
19		17	
—		—	
—		—	
34		168	
	399		399
	—		—
	—		—
	15		13
34	414	168	412
	34		168
	380		244

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
				Brought forward, ...	
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £39,700.	
				An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield £165	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £39,200.	
				An Assessment thereon at *1d. per £ will yield 163	
					328
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)	

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

NEWARTHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
—		25		Cost of gas supply for year, ... £50	
—		15		Upkeep of lamps, ... 15	
—		—		New lamps, ... —	
—		20		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ... 50	
—		4		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 4	
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —	
—		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ... —	
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 2	
9		9		Repayment of Debt, ... 9	
5		5		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 5	
—		—		Miscellaneous, ... —	
					135
14		79			

Receipts.

	130		130	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	... 57	
	4		1	Interest on Bank Account, ... £		
	—		1	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repaired, ...		
14	134	79	132			
	14		79	Amount required, ...		78
	120		53	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,800.		
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £48		
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,800.		
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 48		
						96
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)		

NEWMAINS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—	—	—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
—		—		Cost of gas supply for year, ... —	
—		—		Upkeep of lamps, ... —	
—		—		New lamps, ... —	
—		1		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ... —	
—		3		Rents, taxes, &c., ... —	
—		—		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee. ... ... —	
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ... —	
—		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ... —	
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... —	
25		25		Repayment of Debt, ... 25	
19		17		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 18	
					43
44		47			

Receipts.

	302		302	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		265
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account.		—
44	302	47	302	Amount required.		—
	44		47	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £27,400.		
				An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —		
	258		255	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £27,300.		
				An Assessment thereon at per £ will yield ... ... —		
						—
				No Assessment imposed.		
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)		

1916-17.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—			
—			
—			
—			
—			
—			
—			
—		1	
—			
—	19	1	19
			1
	19		18
		—	—
—		—	
—		3	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
30		30	
15		14	
—		5	
45		52	
	455		455
	15		17
45	470	52	472
	45		52
	425		420
—		—	
—		14	
—		4	
—		—	
—		16	
—		—	
—		2	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
		36	

NORTH MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Cost of gas supply for year,	£10	
Upkeep of lamps,	4	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1	
Repayment of Debt,	5	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		30

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		31
Amount required,		—
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£6	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,700.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	5	
		11

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of gas supply for year,	150	
Upkeep of lamps,	110	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	100	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postages, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2	
Repayment of Debt,	30	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	13	
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	—	
		405

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		420
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Amount required,		—
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £25,900.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£54	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £25,750.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	53	
		107

(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Cost of gas supply for year,	£35	
Upkeep of lamps,	20	
New lamps,	—	
Wages and uniforms of lamplighters,	20	
Rent, taxes, &c.,	—	
Salary of Clerk to Sub Committee,	2	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2	
		79
Carry forward,		79

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
		36		*Brought forward,*		79
				Receipts.		
—	107	—	107	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	74
—	3	—	3	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
—	—	—		Miscellaneous, ...		
—	110	36	110	Amount required.		5
			36	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,050.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$p. per £ will yield, ...	£18	
	110		74	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,800.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	18	
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)	——	36
				STRATHAVEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.		
				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
—		15		Cost of gas supply for year, ...	£140	
—		14		Upkeep of lamps, ...	35	
—		7		New lamps, ...	—	
—		18		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	100	
—		—		Rents, taxes, &c., ...	—	
—		10		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	
—		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
—		—		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3	
9		9		Repayment of Debt, ...	9	
5		6		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	5	
—		—		Miscellaneous.	—	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
					——	302
14		80		*Receipts.*		
	229		229	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£ —	£ — 168
	8		9	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	—
					——	——
14	237	80	238	Amount required.		134
	14		80	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,700.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	£92	
	223		158	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,400.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	91	
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)	——	183
				UDDINGSTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.		
				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
—		75		Cost of gas supply for year, ...	£200	
—		71		Upkeep of lamps, ...	110	
—		—		New lamps, ...	—	
—		91		Wages and uniforms of lamplighters, ...	130	
—		—		Rents, taxes, &c, ...	—	
—		15		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	15	
—		2		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	—	
—		1		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
—		7		Miscellaneous.	—	
—		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5	
25		25		Repayment of Debt, ...	25	
9		8		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	7	
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
					——	492
34		296		*Receipts.*		
	501		501	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£ —	£ — 226
	—		—	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs.	—	—
	20		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	—
	—		2	Miscellaneous, ...	—	—
					——	——
34	521	296	503	Amount required.		266
	34		296			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £51,300.		
	487		207	An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield.	£160	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £50,400.		
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	158	
				(Last year, no Assessment imposed.)	——	318

Note.—The Burghs Gas Act, 1876, has been adopted in the areas of Cambuslang, Bellshill and Larkhall, but as the various proposals have not yet matured, it is not proposed at this stage to submit estimates.

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.				
				Expenditure.			£
70		70		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...			230
360		581		Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£440		
3		3		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3		
1		2		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1		
1		—		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	—		
—		6		Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	5		
5		12		Rents, &c., of coups, ...	10		
10		8		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	10		
—		1		Miscellaneous, ...	—		
—		10		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—		
450		693					469
—	—			*Receipts.*			699
—	—	10	10	Balance on hand at beginning of year....			
450		683		Miscellaneous, ...			
				Amount required, ...			699
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,700,			
				An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£352		
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,500,			
				An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	347		
							699
				(Last year, $3\frac{90}{120}$d. and $3\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

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BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.			
690		690		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...			£270
1,400		1,464		Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£1,500		
14		14		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	14		
14		18		Wages of Inspectors of scavenging, ...	30		
8		4		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	5		
3		3		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	3		
20		39		Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	40		
15		—		Rents, &c., of coups, ...	—		
390		411		Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	470		
15		17		Upkeep of urinals, ...	20		
1		7		Miscellaneous, ...	—		
65		46		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	45		
215		215		Repayment of Debt, ...	215		
235		209		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	225		
30		61		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—		
—		2		Law Expenses, ...	—		
3,115		3,200					2,567
							2,837
	—		—	*Receipts.*			
	37		—	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£		
	10		14	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...			
47	47	14	14	Miscellaneous, ...			5
							2,832
3,068		3,186		Amount required, ...			
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £61,500.			
				An Assessment thereon at *$5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,473		
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £60,800.			
				An Assessment thereon at *$5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	1,457		
							2,930
				(Same as last year).			

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Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
282		282	
820		1,001	
15		15	
1		2	
1		—	
5		23	
380		528	
25		27	
40		37	
130		130	
140		127	
—		24	
2			
1,841		2,196	
—	—		—
1,841		2,196	

BLANTYRE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		335
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£950	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	2	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	1	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	15	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	500	
Upkeep of urinals, ...	20	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	34	
Repayment of Debt, ...	130	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	130	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		1,797
		2,132

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		
Amount required, ...		
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £47,700.		
An Assessment thereon at *$5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,093	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £47,000.		
An Assessment thereon at *$5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	1,077	
		2,170

(Last year, $4\frac{90}{120}$d. and $4\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
46		46	
300		569	
11		11	
1		2	
1			
5		16	
20		85	
50		1	
—		—	
2		1	
10		8	
25		25	
10		8	
—		3	
481		775	
	—		
	—		28
—	—	28	28
481		747	

BOTHWELL SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		288
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£400	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	11	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	1	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	15	
Rents, &c., of coups, ...	85	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	—	
Law expenses, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12	
Repayment of Debt, ...	25	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	8	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		558
		846

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		
Miscellaneous, ...		
		20
Amount required, ...		826
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,300.		
An Assessment thereon at *$4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£418	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,800.		
An Assessment thereon at *$4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	409	
		827

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

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1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
507		507	
1,800		2,335	
15		30	
3		3	
2		2	
70		41	
—		—	
1,200		1,271	
100		41	
85		82	
270		270	
230		222	
20		10	
15		18	
4,317		4,832	
	—		—
	4		6
	—		64
	—		—
	100		449
	—		50
104	104	569	569
4,213		4,263	

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£2,300	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	2	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	1	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	25	
Rent, &c., of coups, ...	—	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	1,700	
Upkeep of urinals, ...	100	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	70	
Repayment of Debt, ...	270	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	210	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	10	
		4,703

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£440	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...		
Sums received from other Local Authorites—Destroying refuse, ...		
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Sum received for power derived from refuse destructor, ...		
Miscellaneous, ...	100	
		540
Amount required, ...		4,163

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £119,000.
An Assessment thereon at *4 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £2,231
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £117,200.
An Assessment thereon at *4 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 2,198
4,429

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1918.

CARMYLE AND MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
350		365	
—		—	
1		1	
1		—	
5		5	
10		10	
—		1	
8		6	
—		—	
375		388	
	69		69
	—		
	—		
69	69	69	69
306		319	

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	350	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	1	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	5	
Rents, &c., of coups, ...	10	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		373

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	36
Interest on Bank Account, ...		
Miscellaneous, ...		
Amount required, ...		337

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £35,000.
An Assessment thereon at 1 $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £182
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £34,000.
An Assessment thereon at 1 $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 177
359

(Same as last year.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
				CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.		
				Expenditure.		
200		210		Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£210	
—		—		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	—	
—		—		Wages of Inspectors of scavenging, ...	—	
1		—		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1	
1		—		Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	1	
—		—		Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	—	
—		—		Rents, &c., of coups, ...	—	
—		—		Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	—	
—		—		Upkeep of urinals, ...	—	
—		—		Law expenses, ...	—	
—		—		Ashbins (recoverable), ...	—	
2		—		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
6		5		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	
						218
210		215				
				Receipts.		
	44		44	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		7
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ...		
44	44	44	44	Amount required, ...		211
166		171		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,600.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£110	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	109	
						219
				(Last year, $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)		
				DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.		
				Expenditure.		
6		6		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		8
160		183		Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£180	
10		10		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	
1		2		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1	
1		1		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	1	
15		8		Cost of new dust carts and repairs.	5	
4		3		Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	5	
15		15		Repayment of Debt, ...	15	
12		11		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	11	
1		1		Miscellaneous, ...	—	
—		6		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						228
225		246				236
				Receipts.		
	—			Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
	—			Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—	8	8	Miscellaneous, ...	8	
—	—					
				Amount required, ...		228
225		238		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,500.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£117	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	115	
						232
				(Same as last year.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	£
4		4	
170		130	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
1		—	
—		—	
2		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
2		3	
179		137	
	—	—	
	—	1	1
—	—		
179		136	

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

	£	£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	£150	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	—	
Wages of Inspectors of scavenging,	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	—	
Rents, &c., of coups,	—	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse,	—	
Upkeep of urinals,	—	
Law expenses,	—	
Ashbins (recoverable),	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3	
		154

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		37
Bank Interest,		
Amount required,		117

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,600.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ... £72
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ... 70
142

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

GARTLEA SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	£25	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays,	—	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	—	
Rents, &c., of coups,	1	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2	
		29

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,		14
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Amount required,		15

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,650.
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £10
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,620.
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 10
20

(Last year 1d. and 1d. per £.)

	31		31
	—		1
	31		32
30	30	31	31
	1	..	1

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£.	£
80		80	
100		137	
20		—	
—		—	
—		—	
3		3	
—		1	
203		221	
	—		
	—		
—	—		
—	—		
203		221	

HAMILTON ROAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		11
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£140	
Rents, &c., of coups, ...	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...		
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	1	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		144
		155

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£—	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Amount required, ...		155

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield £83
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield 83
166

(Last year, $3\frac{60}{120}$d. and $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

HOLYTOWN, NEW STEVENSTON, AND CARFIN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
72		72	
570		685	
—		—	
—		—	
2		—	
1		—	
5		8	
—		—	
250		322	
10		22	
1		2	
25		24	
110		110	
140		133	
—		9	
—		1	
1,186		1,388	
	—		
	—		
	—		
		20	20
—	—		
1,186		1,368	

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		45
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£700	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	—	
Wages of inspectors of scavenging, ...	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	1	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...	—	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...	5	
Rents, &c., of coups, ...	—	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...	320	
Upkeep of urinals, ...	20	
Miscellaneous, ...	1	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	21	
Repayment of Debt, ...	110	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	135	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
Law Expenses, ...	—	
		1,313
		1,358

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£—	
Rents of houses, &c., ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		20
Amount required, ...		1,338

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £38,400.
An Assessment thereon at *$4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £685
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £38,100.
An Assessment thereon at *$4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 675
1,360

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
307		307	
580		581	
10		10	
1		1	
1		—	
2		16	
—		—	
230		323	
30		25	
100		110	
150		133	
—		—	
2		3	
1,423		1,509	
	—		
	—		22
	—		4
—	—	26	26
1,423		1,483	
		—	
380		385	
—		—	
—		—	
1		—	
1		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
6		4	
—		—	
388		389	
	190		190
	—		2
190	190	192	192
198		197	

LARKHALL SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	142
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	£600	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	1	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	10	
Rents, &c., of coups,	—	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse,	330	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	21	
Repayment of Debt,	110	
Interest on Debt,	140	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Miscellaneous,	2	
		1,225
		1,367

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		
Interest on Bank Account,		
Miscellaneous,		
Amount required,		1,367
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £37,700.		
An Assessment thereon at *4 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£707	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £37,200.		
An Assessment thereon at *4 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	698	
		1,405

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

NEWMAINS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	390	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	—	
Wages of inspectors of scavenging,	—	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	2	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	—	
Rents, &c., of coups,	—	
Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse,	—	
Upkeep of urinals,	—	
Law expenses,	—	
Ashbins (recoverable),	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	5	
Miscellaneous,	—	397

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£	88
Interest on Bank Account,		—
Amount required,		309
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £27,400.		
An Assessment thereon at 1 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£171	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £27,300.		
An Assessment thereon at 1 $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	171	
		342

(Last year, 1 $\frac{30}{120}$d. and 1 $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
3		3	
40		40	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
1		1	
44		44	
—	—	—	
44		44	

SALSBURGH SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	£45	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	—	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	2	
		47
Receipts.		
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		1
Amount required,		46

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,400.
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield £23
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,350.
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield 23
46

(Same as last year.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
113		113	
530		617	
1		1	
1		—	
2		14	
20		12	
16		12	
—		3	
—		11	
10		10	
5		4	
698		797	
—	—	—	
698		797	

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		100
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	610	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays,	—	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	2	
Rents, &c., of coups,	10	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	12	
Miscellaneous,	2	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Repayment of Debt,	10	
Interest on Debt,	4	
		651
		751
Receipts.		
Balance on hand at beginning of year,		—
Amount required,		751

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £25,900.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £378
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £25,750.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 375
753

(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
—		—	
190		190	
10		10	
1		2	
1		—	
1		11	
22		10	
5		9	
—		—	
6		4	
—		1	
—		7	
236		244	

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c.,	£190	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	1	
Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays,	—	
Cost of new dust-carts and repairs,	5	
Rent, &c, of coups,	10	
Upkeep of urinals,	5	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	4	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
Repayment of debt,	—	
		225
Carry forward,		225

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			£
236		244		*Brought forward,*		225
				Receipts.		
33	33	33	33	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		8
203		211		Amount required, ...		217
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £17,700.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£111	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,400.		
				An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	108	
						219

(Same as last year.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		—
600		695		Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...		700
15		15		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, &c., ...		15
—		—		Wages of Inspectors of scavenging, ...		—
2		1		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...		1
1		1		Postage, receipt, and agreement stamps and petty outlays, ...		1
30		8		Cost of new dust-carts and repairs, ...		5
60		170		Rents, &c., of coups, ...		200
100		2		Upkeep, &c., of refuse destructors and cost of destroying refuse, ...		—
12		15		Upkeep of urinals, ...		10
1		5		Miscellaneous, ...		—
20		14		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		9
70		70		Repayment of Debt, ...		70
15		12		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...		11
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...		—
926		1,008				1,022
				Receipts.		
	203		203	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	57
	—		1	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...		
	5		5	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
	—		2	Mlscellaneous, ...		
208	208	211	211			
718		797		Amount required, ...		965
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £52,100.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£488	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £51,200.		
				An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d per £ will yield ..	479	
						967

(Last year, 2d. and 2d.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

DISTRICT OF THE LOWER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

NOTE.—Mileage of County Roads, 85 miles 5 furlongs 181 yards.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
				Expenditure.		£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
				Maintenance (as per Surveyor's Annual Report)—		
7,238		5,719		Surface labour, ...	£8,880	
5,480		4,510		Materials for surface repairs (including metal), ...	6,400	
230		304		Repairs to bridges, culverts, drains, and fences, ...	270	
110		327		Purchase and repair of tools, ...	110	
770		566		Footpaths, kerbing, and causewaying crossings, ...	520	
136		—		Miscellaneous, ...	104	
50		5		Improvement of roads and bridges, ...	70	
900		—		New Plant, ...	700	
					£17,054	
2,290		3,522		Expenditure under the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, ...	2,170	
						19, : :
				Miscellaneous—		
—		165		Metal Depots, &c., Rents, Feu-Duties, Taxes, and Upkeep, ..	—	
—		6		Mile Plates and Finger Posts, &c., ...	—	
—		6		Water Troughs, Fire Plugs, ...	—	
—		—		Tar-macadam and tar spraying, ...	—	
—		—		Causewaying main roads, ...	—	
—		—		Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	—	
				Management and Miscellaneous—		
500		500		Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer, and Office Staff (proportion),	£500	
425		450		Salary, &c., of District Surveyor, ...	475	
25		17		Rent, cleaning, and lighting of Surveyor's Office, ...	25	
150		122		Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	150	
50		52		Postages, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	60	
15		3		Travelling and the Expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	15	
300		—		Law expenses, including court proceedings and compensation for accidents, ...	300	
250		—		Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c., ...	50	
300		61		Miscellaneous and contingencies, ...	300	
—		18		Engineers' Fees, ...	—	
						1,875
16		15		Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 15, ...	£15	
120		110		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	155	
						170
50		11		Proportion of Expenditure for Dalmarnock and Rutherglen Joint Bridges, ...		50
19,405		16,489				21,319
				Receipts.		
	4,481		4,481	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£3,729	
	6,000		6,000	Subventions, ...	6,000	
	500		535	Government grant in aid of maintenance of roads, ...	535	
	160		161	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	160	
	750		743	Grant from Imperial Road Board, ...	740	
	119		116	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1914, ...	115	
	—		—	Compensation for Extra Traffic, &c., ...	—	
	—		—	Contribution towards Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	—	
	—		57	Compensations from Railway Companies, ...	—	
	130		234	Interest on Bank Account, ...	100	
	80		82	Interest on County Reserve Moneys, ...	80	
	—		57	Disbursements refunded, ...	—	
	100		—	Miscellaneous, ...	100	
						11,559
12,320	12,320	12,466	12,466	Amount required, ...		9,760
7,085		4,023		Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £232,010.		
				An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield ...	£4,833	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £212,000.		
				An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield ...	£4,417	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	350	
						4,767
						9,600

(Last year, 4d. and 4d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
872		658	
900		765	
50		39	
100		83	
50		38	
—		—	
50		8	
3,500		3,317	
—		—	
300		157	
100		84	
—		57	
—		—	
25		13	
150		128	
50		—	
20		10	
500		500	
150		115	
150		170	
50		45	
10		—	
50		—	
100		—	
300		237	
20		13	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
—		—	
50		54	
200		200	
135		95	
7,882		6,786	
	1,356		1,356
	1,175		1,256
	70		81
	567		555
	50		74
	700		777
	—		18
	—		175
	50		73
	27		27
	—		2
3,995	3,995	4,394	4,394
3,887		2,392	

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 14,	£884	
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' salaries,	950	
Travelling expenses of Sanitary Inspectors,	50	
Clerical assistance in Sanitary Office,	110	
Other expenses,	50	
Meat Inspectors,	—	
		2,044
Fees for notification of diseases,		25
Upkeep of Hospitals—		
Lightburn, including Tuberculosis Pavilion,		4,200
Treatment of tuberculosis patients,		—
Treatment of Patients—		
In Institutions of other Local Authorities,	£200	
Dispensary and Domiciliary,	200	
		400
Treatment of Venereal Diseases,		150
Maternity Service and Child Welfare,		250
Interments, and disinfecting and removing patients and clothing,		25
Cleaning cesspools, &c., and scavenging,		150
Engineer's Fees and Inspector of Works' Wages,		20
Fire plugs and hydrants for fire-extinguishing purposes,		20
Management and Miscellaneous—		
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer, and Office Staff (proportion),	£500	
Rent, Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of Offices,	150	
Printing, advertising, and stationery,	195	
Postages and petty outlays,	50	
Travelling and the expenses of meetings and inspections,	10	
Law expenses, including prosecutions,	100	
Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c.,	50	
Miscellaneous and contingencies, including Town Planning Expenses,	400	
		1,455
Other Payments—		
Returns of births and deaths, and conscientious objectors to vaccination,		20
Expenses of Delegates to Medical and Sanitary Congresses and Subscriptions to Associations,		—
Lighting Public Roads,		—
Name Plates and Numbering Houses,		—
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		65
Repayment of Debt,		200
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),		125
		9,149

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£1,498	
Proportion of Equivalent Grant,	1,100	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	80	
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912,	555	
Maternity Service, &c., Grants,	95	
Tuberculosis Grant,	775	
Grant in aid of Treatment of Venereal Diseases,	110	
Received from Insurance Committees, &c., for treatment of patients in Sanatoria,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	50	
Interest on County Reserve Moneys,	30	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		4,493
Amount required,		4,656

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £232,000.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield . £2,175
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £212,000.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £1,988
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 190
2,178
1,353

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
78		78	
3,650		3,597	
100		86	
100		129	
350		338	
80		79	
20		7	
50		26	
50		29	
—		17	
60		69	
1,300		1,300	
900		816	
—		86	
6,738		6,657	
	—		—
	2,000		2,056
	—		—
	4		5
	—		15
2,004	2,004	2,076	2,076
4,734		4,581	

III.—SPECIAL WATER DISTRICTS.

CADDER SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
Payments for water, ...	£4,000	
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	100	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep of pipes, &c., ...	150	
Salaries of water officers, ...	365	
Wages of workmen, &c., ...	100	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	20	
Engineers' fees, ...	50	
Miscellaneous, ...	80	
Travelling and the expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	—	
		4,865
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£70	
Repayment of Debt, ...	1,300	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	812	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
		2,182
		7,047

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£171	
Special water and meter charges, ...	2,150	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	6	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	—	
Miscellaneous, ...	—	
		2,327
Amount required, ...		4,720

		£
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £92,500.		
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield	£2,698	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £70,700.		
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield	2,062	
		4,760

(Same as last year.)

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year.		
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1875, ...	£385	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, &c., ...	7	
		392

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£80	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	—	
		80
Amount required, ...		312

		£
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,250.		
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£189	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £8,000.		
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£183	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts.	3	
		186
		375

(Last year 6d. and 6d. per £.)

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

BARONY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£	*Expenditure.*		£
—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	£	
50		44		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes, ...	55	
16		7		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	16	
5		—		Wages of workmen, ...	5	
2		—		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	
—		3		Engineers' fees, &c., ...	—	
5		14		Miscellaneous, ...	5	
						83
—		—		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£	
65		65		Repayment of Debt, ...	65	
32		17		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	30	
						95
175		150				178
				Receipts.		
	725		725	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£722	
	—		—	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	—	
	18		18	Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	—	
	40		41	Drainage connections, ...	40	
	32		31	Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	31	
	—		—	Sums received in lieu of Assessments, ...	—	
	—		57	Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						793
	815		872			
	175		150			
	640		722			

No Assessment proposed.

(No Assessment last year.)

NOTE.—In addition, the Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate leviable on the Northern portion of the District, in terms of the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, is $3\frac{6}{120}$d. on owners and $3\frac{6}{120}$d. on occupiers. (Last year, $3\frac{5.6}{120}$d. and $3\frac{5.6}{120}$d.)

WESTTHORN SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS.

In the Southern portion of the District, outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification Area.

355		355		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	£442
275		279		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes, ...	300	
100		28		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	100	
110		111		Salaries of drainage officers, ...	120	
25		32		Wages of workmen, ...	40	
5		2		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5	
—		—		Engineers' fees, ...	—	
10		2		Miscellaneous, ...	10	
						575
2		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2	
40		40		Repayment of Debt, ...	40	
46		45		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	44	
—		13		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
						86
968		908				1,103
				Receipts.		
	—			Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	...	
	32			Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	£	
	836		354	Rateable proportion of expenditure recoverable from the Corporation of Glasgow, including arrears, ...	837	
				Do. Middle Ward, including arrears, ...	125	
968	868	908	354	*Carry forward,*	£962	

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts				
£	£	£	£				
968	868	908	354	*Brought forward,*	£962		£1,103
	1		—	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...			
	—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ...			
	6		6	Rent of lands and irrigation fields, ...	6		
	—		—	Disbursements refunded, ...			
							968
875	875	360	360				
				Amount required, ...			135
93		548					
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,600.			
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£72		
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.			
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	70		
							142
				(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...			
165		161		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes, ...	£180		
20		25		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	60		
—		88		Salaries of drainage officers, ...	—		
—		—		Engineers' fees, ...	—		
100		18		Wages of workmen, ...	110		
5		1		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5		
							355
—		—		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—		
16		17		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£17		
410		410		Repayment of Debt, ...	410		
525		342		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	323		
							750
1,241		1,062					1105
				Receipts.			
	35		35	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£39		
	2		2	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	2		
	—		1	Interest on Bank Account, ...	1		
							42
37	37	38	38				
				Amount required.			1,063
1,204		1,024					
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,600.			
				An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield	£543		
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,000.			
				An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield	525		
							1,068
				(Same as last year.)			

CARMUNNOCK SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—		
20		18		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rent and taxes, ...	£25		
15		7		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	20		
—		27		Salaries of drainage officers, ...	—		
25		—		Wages of workmen, ...	25		
5		5		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5		
5		—		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10		
—		4		Miscellaneous.	—		
							85
70		61		*Carry forward,*			85

1917-18. Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.			
£	£	£	£			
70		61		*Brought forward,*		£85
—		—				
5		5		Interest on Bank Account, ...	—	
40		40		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5	
16		16		Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	£40	
				Purification, ...	16	56
85		81		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...	81	
						142
216		203				227
				Receipts.		
	6		6	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...		23
6	6	6	6			
210		197		Amount required, ...		204
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,250.		
				An Assessment thereon at *1s. per £ will yield	£113	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,100.		
				An Assessment thereon at *1s. per £ will yield	£105	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	1	
					106	
						219
				(Same as last year.)		

* This District is situated within the Middle Ward Water Area, the rates in respect of which amount to 1s. 7d. per £. The combined rates for Water and Drainage thus amount to 3s. 7d. per £, being 7d. in excess of the statutory limit, and accordingly the consent of the Local Government Board is required to the levying of this excess.

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

				Expenditure.		
49		49		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—	
110		111		Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes, ...	£125	
25		8		Repairs, extensions, and upkeep.	25	
—		44		Salaries of drainage officers, Wages of workmen, ...	60	
60		6				
3		1		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	3	
						213
15		15		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£15	
217		217		Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	£217	
50		50		Purification, ...	50	
					267	
						282
370		343		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ...		355
—		8		Interest on Bank Account, ...		—
899		852				850
				Receipts.		
				Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£49	
				Interest on Bank Account, ...	1	
				Drainage Connections, ...	—	
				Rent of Land and Irrigation Fields, ...	—	
						50
899		852		Amount required, ...		800
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,100.		
				An Assessment thereon at 10d. per £ will yield	£420	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,700.		
				An Assessment thereon at 10d. per £ will yield	404	
						824
				(Last year, 11d. and 11d. per £.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
100		81	
250		127	
10		—	
5		—	
—		17	
—		—	
—		—	
5		10	
210		210	
105		101	
685		546	
	186		186
	—		—
	—		11
186	186	197	197
499		349	

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes,	£100	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	250	
Wages of workmen,	10	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	25	
Engineer's fees,	—	
Water and Drainage Connections,	—	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		385
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£6	
Repayment of Debt,	210	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	94	
		310
		695

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£348	
Disbursements refunded,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		348
Amount required,		347
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £42,500.		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£221	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £41,300.		
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	215	
		436

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

NOTE.—In addition, the Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate to be levied within Lanarkshire Area No. 1 (whole of the Parish of Rutherglen) as scheduled to the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, is $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ on Owners and $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ on Occupiers. (Last year, $3\frac{56}{120}$d. and $3\frac{56}{120}$d.

—		—	
—		—	
4		5	
200		200	
10		8	
—		—	
214		213	
	—		—
	88		—
	1		1
	—		3
89	89	4	4
125		209	

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	£	
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1887,	222	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	5	
Repayment of Debt (now repaid),		
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),		
Interest on Bank Account,		
		227

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£106	
Balance due by Burgh of Kirkintilloch at 15th May, 1917,		
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,		
Interest on Bank Account,	3	
		109
Amount required,		118
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,700.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£89	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,400.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£87	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	7	
	94	
		183

(Last year, $3\frac{60}{120}$d. and $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts
£	£	£	
—		—	
75		75	
10		7	
—		44	
60		4	
5		1	
8		8	
160		160	
15		15	
176		164	
—		1	
—		—	
509		479	
	15		15
	1		1
16	16	16	16
493		463	

STEPPS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, and taxes,	£85	
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep,	10	
Salary of Drainage Officer, Wages of workmen,	60	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	5	
		160
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£8	
Repayment of Debt, Sewerage,	£160	
Repayment of Debt, Purification,	15	
	175	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	168	
Interest on Bank Account,	1	
Miscellaneous,	—	
		352
		512

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£25	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	—	25
Amount required,		487

Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £10,700.
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £245
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,500.
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 241
486

(Same as last year.)

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,		—
Gas supply,	£100	
Wages of lamplighters,	75	
Upkeep of lamps, &c.,	40	
Rents, taxes, &c.,	7	
Salary of clerk to sub-committee,	7	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	2	
		231
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3	
Repayment of Debt,	18	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	10	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		31
		262

Receipts.

		£
Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£163	
Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs,	—	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	5	
		168
Amount required,		94

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,100.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £71
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,800.
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield 70
141

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

—		—	
100		37	
75		37	
40		34	
7		5	
7		7	
2		1	
2		2	
18		18	
10		10	
—		—	
261		151	
	234		234
	—		—
	1		—
	5		9
240	240		243
			151
21			
			92

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ... —	
20		—	Gas supply, ... £20	
30		—	Wages of lamplighters, ... 30	
5		3	Upkeep of lamps, &c., ... 5	
5		5	Rents, taxes, &c., ... 5	
8		8	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 8	
1		—	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 1	
3		1	Miscellaneous, ... 3	
			—	72
2		—	Expenses of Assessment and Collection. £1	
10		10	Repayment of Debt, ... 10	
8		7	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 7	
			—	18
92		34		90

Receipts.

	125		125	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £114	
	—		—	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs, ... —	
	—		5	Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
	—		1	Disbursements refunded, ... —	
				—	114
92	125	34	131		
	92		34	Amount required, ...	Nil.
	33		97	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,500.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £9	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,200.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 8	
				—	17

(Last year, $\frac{30}{120}$d. and $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

LAMBHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
21		6	Gas supply, ... £30	
41		14	Wages of lamplighters, ... 42	
11		11	Upkeep of lamps, &c., ... 11	
39		75	Lighting private stairs and back courts, ... 80	
5		5	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 5	
2		3	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents. 3	
1		2	Miscellaneous, ... 4	
—		2	Rents, taxes, &c., ... —	
			—	175
1		1	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £2	
5		5	Repayment of Debt, ... 5	
—		—	Interest on Debt, ... 2	
—		1	Interest on Bank Account, ... 1	
			—	10
126		125		185

Receipts.

	47		47	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £30	
	43		48	Lighting private stairs and back courts, ... 48	
	—		—	Miscellaneous. ... ... —	
				—	78
90	90	95	95		
36		30		Amount required, ...	107
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,200.	
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £60	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,000.	
				An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 58	
				—	118

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
—		—	
60		—	
55		—	
23		—	
—		—	
5		4	
12		6	
5		—	
5		—	
197		39	
	177		177
	1		—
	—		—
	—		7
197	178	39	184
178			39
19			145
—		—	
42		10	
93		47	
14		6	
180		171	
7		15	
15		15	
2		7	
2		3	
3		3	
20		20	
9		8	
—		—	
387		305	
	46		46
	—		—
	5		—
	32		31
	143		163
	—		5
	—		—
	—		3
226	226	248	248
161		57	

MILLERSTON AND STEPPS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Gas supply,	£60	
Wages of lamplighters,	55	
Upkeep of lamps, &c.,	23	
New lamps,	—	
Rent, taxes, &c.,	5	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	6	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	5	
Miscellaneous,	5	
		159
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1	
Repayment of Debt,	20	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	8	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		29
		188

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£202	
Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property,	—	
Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	7	
		209
Amount required,		—

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,700.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £14

Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,200.
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 14

28

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

NORTH SHETTLESTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

		£
Balance overpaid at beginning of year,	—	
Gas supply,	£57	
Wages of lamplighters, and uniforms,	93	
Upkeep of lamps, &c.,	15	
Lighting private stairs and back courts,	218	
Rent, taxes, &c.,	14	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	15	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	3	
Miscellaneous,	5	
		420
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£3	
Repayment of Debt,	20	
Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund),	8	
Interest on Bank Account,	—	
		31
		451

Receipts.

Balance on hand at beginning of year,	£130	
Lighting private stairs and back courts,	163	
Cost of lighting, &c., lamps in Middle Ward,	5	
Instalment from compensation moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912,	31	
Lighting private stairs and back courts,	—	
Interest on Bank Account,	5	
Miscellaneous,	—	
Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs,	—	
		334
Amount required,		117

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.		£
£	£	£	£		
161		57		Amount required, ...	117
				Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,700.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £61	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,400.	
				An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £60	
				Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 4	
				64	
				(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)	125

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
160		3		Gas supply, ... £180	
140		—		Wages of lamplighters, ... 160	
70		4		Upkeep of lamps, &c., ... 80	
—		8		Rent, Taxes, &c., ... —	
—		—		New lamps, ... —	
12		11		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 12	
2		—		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 2	
3		1		Miscellaneous, ... 3	
					437
5		2		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £2	
30		30		Repayment of Debt, ... 30	
5		4		Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 14	
					46
427		63			503
				Receipts.	
	467		467	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £543	
	—		4	Sums recovered for lamps broken and repairs, ... —	
	15		19	Interest on Bank Account, ... 10	
					553
427	482	63	490		
	427		63	Amount required, ...	
	55		427	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £28,300.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £29	
				Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £27,600.	
				An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 29	
					58
				(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)	

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—		Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
40		3		Gas supply, ... £45	
45		10		Wages of lamplighter, ... 45	
20		5		Upkeep of lamps, &c., ... 20	
—		—		New Lamps, ... —	
6		6		Rents, taxes, &c., ... 6	
5		5		Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 5	
2		—		Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 2	
3		1		Miscellaneous, ... 3	
					126
1		1		Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	1
122		31		*Carry forward*, ...	127

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£
122		31	
	156		156
	4		6
122	160	31	162
	122		31
	38		131

			£
	Brought forward, ...		127
	Receipts.		
	Balance on hand at beginning of year,...	£168	
	Interest on Bank Account, ...	4	
			172
	Amount required.		Nil.
	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,000.		
	An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£9	
	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,700.		
	An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	9	
			18
	(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)		

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

	Expenditure.		
—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year,...		
262	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£343	
8	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8	
1	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1	
13	Upkeep of urinal, ...	15	
1	Miscellaneous.	1	
			368
4	Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	£5	
7	Repayment of Debt, ...	7	
—	Interest on Debt,...	1	
—	Interest on Bank Account, ...	3	
			16
296			384
	Receipts.		
23	Balance on hand at beginning of year.	£24	
1	Grant in lieu of rates on Government Property, ...	1	
			25
24			
272	Amount required, ...		359
	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,700.		
	An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£184	
	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,300.		
	An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	180	
			364
	(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £).		

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

	Expenditure.		
—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...		4
140	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ...	£140	
5	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5	
2	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	
3	Miscellaneous, ...	3	
			150
2	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3
152			157
	Receipts.		
11	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	£	
—	Interest on Bank Account, ...		
11			
11	Amount required, ...		157
141	Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,200.		
	An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£85	
	Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.		
	An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	82	
			167
	(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)		

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditure	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

NORTH SHETTLESTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

			£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	10
268		272	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ... £370	
2		2	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 3	
20		14	Maintenance and repair of dust-carts, ... 20	
51		53	Cost of destruction of refuse and rent of coup, ... 51	
2		—	Miscellaneous, ... 3	
				447
5		6	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £6	
30		30	Repayment of Debt, ... 30	
22		20	Interest on Debt (less Interest on Sinking Fund), ... 21	
				57
400		397		514

Receipts.

	18		18	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... —
	32		31	Instalment from compensation moneys received under The Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ... £31
	1		1	Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ... 1
	—		4	Interest on Bank Account, ... 1
	—		—	Miscellaneous, ... —
				33
51	51	54	54	
				Amount required, ... 481
349		343		

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,400.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £195
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,200.
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 192
387

(Last year, 3d. and 3d. per £.)

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	
336		320	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ... £410	
90		—	Cost of destruction of refuse, ... 90	
6		6	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 6	
2		—	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 2	
5		11	Upkeep of dust-cart and repairs, ... 25	
—		63	Upkeep of Refuse Destructor and cost of destroying refuse, ... —	
3		—	Miscellaneous, ... 3	
				536
10		7	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	8
452		407		544

Receipts.

	16		16	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ... £68
	—		—	Miscellaneous, ... —
				68
16	16	16	16	
				Amount required, ... 476
436		391		

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £28,000.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £262
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £27,300.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield 256
518

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £)

1917-18.

Estimated Expenditure	Estimated Receipts.	Actual Expenditu	Actual Receipts.
£	£	£	£

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
140		140	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ... £164	
5		5	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee. 5	
2		—	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 2	
3		3	Rent of depôt, ... 3	
2		...	Miscellaneous, ... 2	
				176
2		3	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £4	
—		1	Interest on Bank Account, ... 1	
				5
154		152		
				181

Receipts.

9	9	9	9	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	15
145		143		Amount required, ...	166

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,500.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £89
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,300.
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield 86
175

(Last year $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d.)

STEPPS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

				£
—		—	Balance overpaid at beginning of year, ...	—
156		159	Cost of sweeping and cleansing streets, &c., ... £156	
8		8	Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ... 8	
2		—	Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 2	
—		—	Rent of coup, ... —	
3		—	Miscellaneous. 3	
				169
2		3	Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... £3	
—		—	Interest on Bank Account, ... —	
				3
171		170		
				172

Receipts.

22	22	22	22	Balance on hand at beginning of year, ...	26
149		148		Amount required, ...	146

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,500.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield £87
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,300.
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield 85
172

(Same as last year.)

SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED RATES

RECOMMENDED TO BE LEVIED IN THE UNDERNOTED DISTRICTS FOR 1918-19 AS COMPARED WITH 1917-18.

	1918-1919.			1917-1918.			Increase (+) or Decrease (−).		
	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total
UPPER WARD DISTRICT.									
Parish of Biggar—									
Burgh of Biggar,	/5 66/120	/3 89/120	/9 35/120	/4 97/120	/3	/7 97/120	/0 89/120	/0 89/120	/1 58/120 +
Landward,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Carluke—									
Carluke Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/9 97/120	1/8	3/5 97/120	1/8 67/120	1/6 90/120	3/3 37/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 +
Carluke Water,	1/4 37/120	1/2 60/120	2/6 97/120	1/3 67/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Law Water and Drainage,	1/3 37/120	1/1 60/120	2/4 97/120	1/2 67/120	1/0 90/120	2/3 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Braidwood Water,	1/4 37/120	1/2 60/120	2/6 97/120	1/5 67/120	1/3 90/120	2/9 37/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 −
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Carmichael—									
Ponfeigh Water,	1/7 37/120	1/5 60/120	3/0 97/120	1/4 67/120	1/2 90/120	2/7 37/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Carnwath—									
Carnwath Water and Drainage,	2/5 37/120	2/3 60/120	4/8 97/120	2/3 37/120	2/1 60/120	4/4 97/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Forth Water,	2/5 97/120	2/4	4/9 97/120	2/5 7/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Carstairs—									
Carstairs Water,	2/1 37/120	1/11 60/120	4/0 97/120	2/0 67/120	1/10 90/120	3/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Carnwath Water and Carstairs Junction Scavenging,	1/10 37/120	1/8 60/120	3/6 97/120	1/8 97/120	1/7	3/3 97/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Covington—									
Thankerton Water and Drainage,	1/8 97/120	1/7	3/3 97/120	1/8 7/120	1/6 30/120	3/2 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Symington Water,	1/9 67/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 37/120	1/8 67/120	1/6 90/120	3/3 37/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Crawford—									
Crawford Water,	1/11 37/120	1/9 60/120	3/8 97/120	1/10 67/120	1/8 90/120	3/7 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Leadhills Scavenging,	1/5 97/120	1/4	2/9 97/120	1/5 7/120	1/3 30/120	2/8 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Crawfordjohn,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Culter,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Dolphinton,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Douglas—									
Douglas Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/9 67/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 37/120	1/8 67/120	1/6 90/120	3/3 37/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Ponfeigh Water,	1/7 37/120	1/5 60/120	3/0 97/120	1/4 67/120	1/2 90/120	2/7 37/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Dunsyre,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Lamington and Wandel,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Lanark—									
Crosslaw Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging,	1/4 97/120	1/3	2/7 97/120	1/5 7/120	1/3 30/120	2/8 37/120	/0 30/120	/0 30/120	/0 60/120 −
Crosslaw Lighting and Scavenging,	1/2 97/120	1/1	2/3 97/120	1/2 67/120	1/0 90/120	2/3 37/120	/0 30/120	/0 30/120	/0 60/120 +
Crosslaw Drainage and Lighting,	1/3 37/120	1/1 60/120	2/4 97/120	1/3 7/120	1/1 30/120	2/4 37/120	/0 30/120	/0 30/120	/0 60/120 +
Crosslaw Drainage,	1/3 37/120	1/1 60/120	2/4 97/120	1/3 7/120	1/1 30/120	2/4 37/120	/0 30/120	/0 30/120	/0 60/120 +
Crosslaw Lighting,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +

	1918-1919.			1917-1918.			Increase (+) or Decrease (−).		
UPPER WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.
Parish of Lesmahagow—									
Lesmahagow Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/11 7/120	1/9 30/120	3/8 37/120	1/9 67/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 37/120	/1 60/120	1 60/120	/3 +
Lesmahagow Water,	1/7 37/120	1/5 60/120	3/0 97/120	1/6 67/120	1/4 90/120	2/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Blackwood Water,	1/10 37/120	1/8 60/120	3/6 97/120	1/9 67/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Kirkfieldbank Water,	1/10 67/120	1/8 90/120	3/7 37/120	1/9 97/120	1/8	3/5 97/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Liberton,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Pettinain,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Symington—									
Symington Water,	1/9 67/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 37/120	1/8 67/120	1/6 90/120	3/3 37/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Walston,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Parish of Wiston and Roberton—									
Roberton Water,	2/1 37/120	1/11 60/120	4/0 97/120	2/0 67/120	1/10 90/120	3/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 37/120	/11 60/120	2/0 97/120	1/0 67/120	/10 90/120	1/11 37/120	/0 90/120	/0 90/120	/1 60/120 +
MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT.									
Parish of Avondale—									
Strathaven Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/9 9/120	2/7	5/4 9/120	2/5 9/120	2/3	4/8 9/120	/4	/4	/8 +
Strathaven Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/1 9/120	1/11	4 0 9/120	1/10 69/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 9/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Strathaven Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/6 39/120	2/4 30/120	4/10 69/120	2/3 69/120	2/1 60/120	4/5 9/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Strathaven Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/10 39/120	1/8 30/120	3/6 69/120	1/9 9/120	1/7	3/4 9/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Parish of Blantyre—									
Blantyre Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/9 49/120	2/7 40/120	5/4 89/120	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	/4 10/120	/4 10/120	/8 20/120 +
Blantyre Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/1 49/120	1/11 40/120	4/0 89/120	1/10 99/120	1/8 90/120	3/7 69/120	/2 70/120	/2 70/120	/5 20/120 +
Blantyre Drainage and Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/3 109/120	2/1 100/120	4/5 89/120	2/0 69/120	1/10 60/120	3/11 9/120	/3 40/120	3/ 40/120	/6 80/120 -
Blantyre Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/2 99/120	2/0 90/120	4/3 69/120	2/0 39/120	1/10 30/120	3/10 69/120	/2 60/120	2/ 60/120	/5 +
Do. Lighting (with do.),	2/0 109/120	1/10 100/120	3/11 89/120	1/9 44/120	1/7 35/120	3/4 79/120	/3 65/120	3/ 65/120	/7 10/120 +
Do. do. (without do.),	1/4 109/120	1/2 100/120	2/7 89/120	1/2 104/120	1/0 95/120	2/3 79/120	/2 5/120	2/ 5/120	/4 10/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	2/ 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	1/ 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Parish of Bothwell (Airdrie Police District)—									
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage and Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/4 12/120	2/1 60/120	4/5 72/120	2/1 12/120	1/10 60/120	3/11 72/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage and Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/8 12/120	1/5 60/120	3/1 72/120	1/6 72/120	1/4	2/10 72/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/2 12/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	4 25/120	4 25/120	/8 50/120 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water)	3/1 42/120	2/10 90/120	6/0 12/120	2/9 42/120	2/6 90/120	5/4 12/120	/4	/4	/8 +

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Parish of Bothwell (Airdrie Police District)—*Continued*—									
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	2/5 42/120	2/2 90/120	4/8 12/120	2/2 102/120	2/0 30/120	4/3 12/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	3/1 12/120	2/10 60/120	5/11 72/120	2/8 102/120	2/6 30/120	5/3 12/120	/4 30/120	/4 30/120	/8 60/120 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/5 12/120	2/2 60/120	4/7 72/120	2/2 42/120	1/11 90/120	4/2 12/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Bothwell Park Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/5 72/120	2/3	4/8 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	/7 85/120	/7 85/120	1/3 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/9 72/120	1/7	3/4 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	/6 25/120	/6 25/120	1/0 50/120 +
Carnbroe Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/0 72/120	1/10	3/10 72/120	1/9 102/120	1/7 30/120	3/5 12/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/4 72/120	1/2	2/6 72/120	1/3 42/120	1/0 90/120	2/4 12/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 +
Chapelhall Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/7 12/120	2/4 60/120	4/11 72/120	2/3 72/120	2/1	4/4 72/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Do. (without do.),	1/11 12/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 72/120	1/9 12/120	1/6 60/120	3/3 72/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Holytown and New Stevenston Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/6 72/120	2/4	4/10 72/120	2/2 102/120	2/0 30/120	4/3 12/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Holytown and New Stevenston Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/10 72/120	1/8	3/6 72/120	1/8 42/120	1/5 90/120	3/2 12/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	2/0 72/120	1/10	3/10 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/4 72/120	1/2	2/6 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Parish of Bothwell (Hamilton Police District)—									
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	3/0 69/120	2/10 60/120	5/11 9/120	2/8 69/120	2/6 60/120	5/3 9/120	/4	/4	/8 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	2/4 69/120	2/2 60/120	4/7 9/120	2/2 9/120	2/0	4/2 9/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	3/0 39/120	2/10 30/120	5/10 69/120	2/8 9/120	2/6	5/2 9/120	/4 30/120	/4 30/120	/8 60/120 +
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/4 39/120	2/2 30/120	4/6 69/120	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Bothwell Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/7 99/120	2/5 90/120	5/1 69/120	2/1 54/120	1/11 45/120	4/0 99/120	/6 45/120	/6 45/120	1/0 90/120 +
Bothwell Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/6 114/120	1/4 105/120	2/11 99/120	/4 105/120	/4 105/120	/9 90/120 +
Bothwell Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/5 69/120	2/3 60/120	4/9 9/120	1/11 119/120	1/9 110/120	3/9 109/120	/5 70/120	/5 70/120	/11 20/120 +
Bothwell Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/9 69/120	1/7 60/120	3/5 9/120	1/5 59/120	1/3 50/120	2/8 109/120	/4 10/120	/4 10/120	/8 20/120 +
Bothwell Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/2 9/120	2/0	4/2 9/120	1/10 69/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 9/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Bothwell Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/6 9/120	1/4	2/10 9/120	1/4 9/120	1/2	2/6 9/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Bothwell Park Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/4 99/120	2/2 90/120	4/7 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/7 85/120	/7 85/120	1/3 50/120 +
Carfin Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/8 39/120	2/6 30/120	5/2 69/120	2/4 69/120	2/2 60/120	4/7 9/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Carfin Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/0 39/120	1/10 30/120	3/10 69/120	1/10 9/120	1/8	3/6 9/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/9 69/120	2/7 60/120	5/5 9/120	2/5 9/120	2/3	4/8 9/120	/4 60/120	/4 60/120	/9 +
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	1/10 69/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 9/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Cleland and Omoa Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/3 69/120	2/1 60/120	4/5 9/120	1/11 44/120	1/9 35/120	3/8 79/120	/4 25/120	/4 25/120	/8 50/120 +
Cleland and Omoa Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/7 69/120	1/5 60/120	3/1 9/120	1/4 104/120	1/2 95/120	2/7 79/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +

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Holytown and New Stevenston Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/5 99/120	2/3 90/120	4/9 69/120	2/2 9/120	2/0	4/2 9/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Holytown and New Stevenston Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water).	1/9 99/120	1/7 90/120	3/5 69/120	1/7 69/120	1/5 60/120	3/1 9/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/5 9/120	2/3	4/8 9/120	2/1 44/120	1/11 35/120	4/0 79/120	/3 85/120	/3 85/120	/7 50/120 +
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/9 9/120	1/7	3/4 9/120	1/6 104/120	1/4 95/120	2/11 79/120	/2 25/120	/2 25/120	/4 50/120 +
Newarthill Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/1 99/120	1/11 90/120	4/1 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/4 85/120	/4 85/120	9 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/5 99/120	1/3 90/120	2/9 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/3 25/120	/3 25/120	/6 50/120 +
Uddingston Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/4 114/120	2/2 105/120	4/7 99/120	2/1 39/120	1/11 30/120	4/0 69/120	/3 75/120	3 75/120	7 30/120 +
Uddingston Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/8 114/120	1/6 105/120	3/3 99/120	1/6 99/120	1/4 90/120	2/11 69/120	/2 15/120	/2 15/120	/4 30/120 +
Uddingston Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/2 114/120	2/0 105/120	4/3 99/120	1/11 44/120	1/9 35/120	3/8 79/120	/3 70/120	/3 70/120	/7 20/120 +
Uddingston Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/6 114/120	1/4 105/120	2/11 99/120	1/4 104/120	1/2 95/120	2/7 79/120	/2 10/120	/2 10/120	/4 20/120 +
Uddingston Drainage and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/4 9/120	2/2	4/6 9/120	2/1 9/120	1/11	4/0 9/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Uddingston Drainage and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/8 9/120	1/6	3/2 9/120	1/6 69/120	1/4 60/120	2/11 9/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Uddingston Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/1 99/120	1/11 90/120	4/1 69/120	1/11 9/120	1/9	3/8 9/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 50/120 +
Uddingston Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/5 99/120	1/3 90/120	2/9 69/120	1/4 59/120	1/2 60/120	2/7 9/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Burgh of Motherwell (Motherwell Police District),	/5 72/120	/3	/8 72/120	/5 9/120	/2 57/120	/7 65/120	/0 63/120	/0 63/120	/1 6/120 +
Parish of Cambuslang—									
Cambuslang Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	3/1 39/120	2/11 30/120	6/0 69/120	2/9 39/120	2/7 30/120	5/4 69/120	/4	/4	/8 +
Cambuslang Drainage, Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	2/2 99/120	2/0 90/120	4/3 69/120	/2 50/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Cambuslang Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/8 99/120	2/6 90/120	5/3 69/120	2/4 74/120	2/2 55/120	4/7 19/120	/4 25/120	/4 25/120	/8 50/120 +
Cambuslang Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water).	2/0 99/120	1/10 90/120	3/11 69/120	1/10 14/120	1/8 5/120	3/6 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Newton and Flemington Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/10 69/120	2/8 60/120	5/7 9/120	2/7 69/120	2/5 50/120	5/1 9/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Newton and Flemington Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting, Scavenging, and Electric Lighting (without Domestic Water),	2/2 59/120	2/0 60/120	4/3 9/120	2/1 9/120	1/11	4/0 9/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	3 +
Newton and Flemington Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/8 39/120	2/6 30/120	5/2 69/120	2/4 69/120	2/2 60/120	4/7 9/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Newton and Flemington Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/0 39/120	1/10 30/120	3/10 69/120	1/10 9/120	1/8	3/6 9/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Newton and Flemington Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	2/0 9/120	1/10	3/10 9/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +

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Parish of Cambusnethan—									
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	2/2 39/120	2/0 30/120	4/2 69/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/9 39/120	1/7 30/120	3/4 69/120	1/7 99/120	1/5 90/120	3/1 69/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/4 69/120	2/2 60/120	4/7 9/120	2/2 39/120	2/0 30/120	4/2 69/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Dalzell and Netherton Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/1 9/120	1/11	4/0 9/120	1/10 44/120	1/8 35/120	3/6 79/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Newmains Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/7 39/120	2/5 30/120	5/0 69/120	2/3 99/120	2/1 90/120	4/5 69/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Newmains Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/11 39/120	1/9 30/120	3/8 69/120	1/9 39/120	1/7 30/120	3/4 69/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/7 9/120	2/5	5/0 9/120	2/3 9/120	2/1	4/4 9/120	/4	/4	/8 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/11 9/120	1/9	3/8 9/120	1/8 69/120	1/6 60/120	3/3 9/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/6 69/120	2/4 60/120	4/11 9/120	2/3 9/120	2/1	4/4 9/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/10 69/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 9/120	1/8 69/120	1/6 60/120	3/3 9/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/3 9/120	2/1	4/4 9/120	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	/3 30/120	/3 30/120	/6 60/120 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/7 9/120	1/5	3/0 9/120	1/5 39/120	1/3 30/120	2/8 69/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/3 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Burgh of Wishaw,	/2 78/120	/2 15/120	/4 93/120	/2 70/120	/2 7/120	/4 77/120	/0 8/120	/0 8/120	/0 16/120 +
Parish of Dalserf—									
Larkhall Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/10 99/120	2/8 90/120	5/7 69/120	2/6 9/120	2/4	4/10 9/120	/4 90/120	/4 90/120	/9 60/120 +
Larkhall Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/2 99/120	2/0 90/120	4/3 69/120	1/11 69/120	1/9 60/120	3/9 9/120	/3 30/120	/3 30/120	/6 60/120 +
Larkhall Drainage and Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/6 39/120	2/4 30/120	4/10 69/120	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	/4 90/120	/4 90/120	/9 60/120 +
Larkhall Drainage and Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/10 39/120	1/8 30/120	3/6 69/120	1/7 9/120	1/5	3/0 9/120	/3 30/120	/3 30/120	/6 60/120 +
Larkhall Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Larkhall Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/9 39/120	1/7 30/120	3/4 69/120	1/7 9/120	1/5	3/0 9/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Larkhall Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/0 99/120	1/10 90/120	3/11 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/3 85/120	/3 85/120	/7 50/120 +
Larkhall Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/4 99/120	1/2 90/120	2/7 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/2 25/120	/2 25/120	/4 50/120 +
Larkhall Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	2/1 74/120	1/11 65/120	4/1 19/120	/3 85/120	/3 85/120	/7 50/120 +
Larkhall Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/9 39/120	1/7 30/120	3/4 69/120	1/7 14/120	1/5 5/120	3/0 19/120	/2 25/120	/2 25/120	/4 50/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Parish of Dalziel—									
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/5 39/120	2/3 30/120	4/8 69/120	2/2 39/120	2/0 30/120	4/2 69/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/9 39/120	1/7 30/120	3/4 69/120	1/7 99/120	1/5 90/120	3/1 69/120	/1 60/120	/1 60/120	/3 +
Hamilton Road Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/4 99/120	2/2 90/120	4/7 69/120	2/2 39/120	2/0 30/120	4/2 69/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Hamilton Road Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/8 99/120	1/6 90/120	3/3 69/120	1/7 99/120	1/5 90/120	3/1 69/120	1	/1	/2 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Burgh of Motherwell,	/5 72/120	/3	/8 72/120	/5 9/120	/2 57/120	/7 66/120	/0 63/120	/0 63/120	/1 6/120 +
Do. Wishaw,	/2 78/120	/2 15/120	/4 93/120	/2 70/120	/2 7/120	/4 77/120	/0 8/120	/0 8/120	/0 16/120 +

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Parish of East Kilbride—									
Busby Drainage and Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2 6 39/120	2 4 30/120	4 10 69/120	2/2 99/120	2/0 90/120	4 3 69/120	3 60/120	3 60/120	7 +
Busby Drainage and Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/10 39/120	1/8 30/120	3/6 69/120	1/8 39/120	1/6 30/120	3/2 69/120	2	2	4 +
Busby Lighting (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Busby Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2 6 39/120	2/4 30/120	4/10 69/120	2/2 99/120	2/0 90/120	4/3 69/120	3 60/120	3 60/120	7 +
Busby Drainage (without Domestic Water),	1/10 39/120	1/8 30/120	3/6 69/120	1/8 39/120	1/6 30/120	3/2 69/120	2	2	4 +
East Kilbride Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/10 39/120	2/8 30/120	5/6 69/120	2/8 9/120	2 6	5/2 9/120	2 30/120	2 30/120	4 60/120 +
East Kilbride Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/2 39/120	2/0 30/120	4/2 69/120	2/1 69/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 9/120	0 90/120	0 90/120	1 60/120 +
East Kilbride Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/8 39/120	2/6 30/120	5/2 69/120	2/5 69/120	2/3 60/120	4/9 9/120	2 90/120	2 90/120	5 60/120 +
East Kilbride Drainage (without Domestic Water)	2/0 39/120	1/10 30/120	3/10 69/120	1/11 9/120	1/9	3/8 9/120	1 30/120	1 30/120	2 60/120 +
East Kilbride Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/1 99/120	1/11 90/120	4 1 69/120	1/11 74/120	1/9 65/120	3 9 19/120	2 25/120	2 25/120	4 50/120 +
East Kilbride Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/5 99/120	1/3 90/120	2/9 69/120	1/5 14/120	1/3 5/120	2/8 19/120	0 85/120	0 85/120	1 50/120 +
East Kilbride Scavenging (with Domestic Water,	2/1 89/120	1/11 90/120	4/1 62/120	1/11 74/120	1/9 65/120	3/9 19/120	2 25/120	2 25/120	4 50/120 +
East Kilbride Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/5 99/120	1/3 90/120	2/9 69/120	1/5 14/120	1/3 5/120	2/8 19/120	0 85/120	0 85/120	1 50/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Parish of Glasford (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Parish of Hamilton (with Domestic Water),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Parish of New Monkland—									
Gartlea Lighting and Scavenging,	1/5 72/120	1/3	2/8 72/120	1/2 107/120	1/0 35/120	2/3 22/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/2 72/120	2/0	4/2 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	4 85/120	4 85/120	9 50/120 +
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/6 72/120	1/4	2/10 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	3 25/120	3 25/120	6 50/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	2/0 72/120	1/10	3/10 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	2 85/120	2 85/120	5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/4 72/120	1/2	2/6 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Do. and beyond Middle Ward Water Area,	1/3 12/120	1/0 60/120	2/3 72/120	1/1 107/120	/11 35/20	2/1 22/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
Parish of Old Monkland—									
Baillieston Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/11 102/120	1/9 30/120	3/9 12/120	1/8 72/120	1/6	3/2 72/120	3 30/120	3 30/120	6 60/120 +
Do. Lighting and Scavenging,	1/8 102/120	1/6 30/120	3/3 12/120	1/5 77/120	1/3 5/120	2/8 82/120	3 25/120	3 25/120	6 50/120 +
Do. Drainage,	1/6 12/120	1/3 60/120	2/9 72/120	1/4 102/120	1/2 30/120	2/7 12/120	1 30/120	1 30/120	2 60/120 +
Calderbank Lighting,	1/3 72/120	1/1	2/4 72/120	1/1 107/120	/11 35/120	2/1 22/120	1 85/120	1 85/120	3 50/120 +
Mount Vernon Drainage and Carmyle and Mount Vernon Lighting and Scavenging,	1/5 42/120	1/2 90/120	2/8 12/120	1/4 102/120	1/2 30/120	2/7 12/120	0 60/120	0 60/120	1 +
Mount Vernon Drainage,	1/4 12/120	1/1 60/120	2/5 72/120	1/3 72/120	1/1	2/4 72/120	0 60/120	0 60/120	1 +
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Lighting and Scavenging,	1/4 42/120	1/1 90/120	2/6 12/120	1/3 17/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 82/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +
North Mount Vernon Lighting and Mount Vernon Drainage,	1/4 102/120	1/2 30/120	2/7 12/120	1/3 72/120	1/1	2/4 72/120	1 30/120	1 30/120	2 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/3 12/120	1/0 60/120	2/3 72/120	1/1 107/120	/11 35/120	2/1 22/120	1 25/120	1 25/120	2 50/120 +

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MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*									
Parish of Shotts (Airdrie Police District)—									
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/2 72/120	2/	4/2 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	/4 85/120	/4 85/120	/9 50/120 +
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/6 72/120	1/4	2/10 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/1 22/120	/3 25/120	/3 25/120	/6 50/120 +
Harthill Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/4 12/120	2/1 60/120	4/5 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	/6 25/120	/6 25/120	1/1 50/120 +
Do., (without Domestic Water),	1/8 12/120	1/5 60/120	3/1 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	/4 85/120	/4 85/120	/9 50/120 +
Salsburgh Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/4 72/120	2/2	4/6 72/120	2/1 107/120	1/11 35/120	4/1 22/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Salsburgh Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/8 72/120	1/6	3/2 72/120	1/7 47/120	1/4 95/120	3/0 22/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Salsburgh Drainage and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/4 72/120	2/2	4/6 72/120	2/1 102/120	1/11 30/120	4/1 12/120	/2 90/120	/2 90/120	/5 60/120 +
Salsburgh Drainage and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/8 72/120	1/6	3/2 72/120	1/7 42/120	1/4 90/120	3/0 12/120	/1 30/120	/1 30/120	/2 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	2/0 72/120	1/10	3/10 72/120	1/9 107/120	1/7 35/120	3/5 22/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/4 72/120	1/2	2/6 72/120	1/3 47/120	1/0 95/120	2/4 22/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Parish of Shotts (Hamilton Police District)—									
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/9 77/120	2/7 68/120	5/5 25/120	2/5 15/120	2/3 6/120	4/8 21/120	/4 62/120	/4 62/120	/9 4/120 +
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	2/1 77/120	1/11 68/120	4/1 25/120	1/10 75/120	1/8 66/120	3/7 21/120	/3 2/120	/3 2/120	/6 4/120 +
Cleland and Omoa Lighting and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/3 77/120	2/1 68/120	4/5 25/120	1/11 50/120	1/9 41/120	3/8 91/120	/4 27/120	/4 27/120	/8 54/120 +
Cleland and Omoa Lighting and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/7 77/120	1/5 68/120	3/1 25/120	1/4 110/120	1/2 101/120	2/7 91/120	/2 87/120	/2 87/120	/5 54/120 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (with Domestic Water),	2/7 17/120	2/5 8/120	5/ 25/120	2/3 15/120	2/1 6/120	4/4 21/120	/4 2/120	/4 2/120	/8 4/120 +
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging (without Domestic Water),	1/11 17/120	1/9 8/120	3/8 25/120	1/8 75/120	1/6 66/120	3/3 21/120	/2 62/120	/2 62/120	/5 4/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 107/120	1/9 98/120	3/9 85/120	1/9 20/120	1/7 11/120	3/4 31/120	/2 87/120	/2 87/120	/5 54/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 107/120	1/1 98/120	2/5 85/120	1/2 80/120	1/0 71/120	2/3 31/120	/1 27/120	/1 27/120	/2 54/120 +
Parish of Stonehouse—									
Stonehouse Drainage and Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/3 9/120	2/1	4/4 9/120	1/11 39/120	1/9 30/120	3/8 69/120	/3 90/120	/3 90/120	/7 60/120 +
Stonehouse Drainage and Lighting (without Domestic Water),	1/7 9/120	1/5	3/0 9/120	1/4 99/120	1/2 90/120	2/7 69/120	/2 30/120	/2 30/120	/4 60/120 +
Stonehouse Lighting (with Domestic Water),	2/0 39/120	1/10 30/120	3/10 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/3 25/120	/3 25/120	/6 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/4 39/120	1/2 30/120	2/6 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 85/120	/1 85/120	/3 50/120 +
Stonehouse Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/2 69/120	2/0 60/120	4/3 9/120	1/11 39/120	1/9 30/120	3/8 60/120	/3 30/120	/3 30/120	/6 60/120 +
Outwith all Districts (with do.),	1/11 99/120	1/9 90/120	3/9 69/120	1/9 14/120	1/7 5/120	3/4 19/120	/2 85/120	/2 85/120	/5 50/120 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 99/120	1/1 90/120	2/5 69/120	1/2 74/120	1/0 65/120	2/3 19/120	/1 25/120	/1 25/120	/2 50/120 +
Burgh of Motherwell,	/5 72/120	/3	/8 72/120	/5 9/120	/2 57/120	/7 66/120	/0 63/120	/0 63/120	/1 3/120 +
Burgh of Wishaw,	/2 78/120	/2 15/120	/4 93/120	/2 70/120	/2 7/120	/4 77/120	/0 8/120	0/ 8/120	/0 16/120 +
LOWER WARD DISTRICT.									
Parish of Cadder—									
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2/7 57/120	2/4 60/120	4/11 117/120	2/4 57/120	2/1 60/120	4/5 117/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2/0 57/120	1/9 60/120	3/9 117/120	1/9 57/120	1/6 60/120	3/3 117/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage and Cadder Water,	2/3 117/120	2/1	4/4 117/120	2/1 117/120	1/11	4/0 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Lighting and Scavenging and Cadder Water,	2/0 57/120	1/9 60/120	3/9 117/120	1/9 57/120	1/6 60/120	3/3 117/120	/3	/3	/6 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage and Scavenging,	1/11 57/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 117/120	1/8 117/120	1/6	3/2 117/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +

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Parish of Cadder—*Continued*—									
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Scavenging,	1/4 57/120	1/1 60/120	2/5 117/120	1/1 117/120	/11	2/0 117/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2/9 87/120	2/6 90/120	5/4 57/120	2/8 27/120	2/5 30/120	5/1 57/120	/1 60/120	1 60/120	/3 +
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage and Lighting and Cadder Water,	2/7 27/120	2/4 30/120	4/11 57/120	2/6 27/120	2/3 30/120	4/9 57/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage and Lighting,	2/0 27/120	1/9 30/120	3/9 57/120	1/11 27/120	1/8 30/120	3/7 57/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage and Cadder Water,	2/6 117/120	2/4	4/10 117/120	2/5 117/120	2/3	4/8 117/120	/1	/1	/2 +
Chryston and Muirhead Lighting and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	1/11 87/120	1/8 90/120	3/8 57/120	1/9 27/120	1/6 30/120	3/3 57/120	/2 60/120	/2 60/120	/5 +
Chryston and Muirhead Lighting and Cadder Water,	1/9 27/120	1/6 30/120	3/3 57/120	1/7 27/120	1/4 30/120	2/11 57/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Chryston and Muirhead Lighting,	1/2 27/120	/11 30/120	2/1 57/120	1/0 27/120	/9 30/120	1/9 57/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Millerston and Stepps Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2/4 87/120	2/1 90/120	4/6 57/120	2/2 117/120	2/0	4/2 117/120	/1 90/120	/1 90/120	/3 60/120 +
Millerston and Stepps Lighting and Cadder Water,	1/9 27/120	1/6 30/120	3/3 57/120	1/7 57/120	1/4 60/120	2/11 117/120	/1 90/120	/1 90/120	/3 60/120 +
Stepps Drainage and Cadder Water,	2/2 57/120	1/11 60/120	4/1 117/120	2/0 57/120	1/9 60/120	3/9 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
South Lenzie Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2/0 27/120	1/9 30/120	3/9 57/120	2/0 27/120	1/9 30/120	3/9 57/120	—	—	—
South Lenzie Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/6 87/120	1/3 90/120	2/10 57/120	1/6 27/120	1/3 30/120	2/9 57/120	/0 60/120	/0 60/120	/1 +
South Lenzie Drainage and Cadder Water,	1/10 117/120	1/8	3/6 117/120	1/10 57/120	1/7 60/120	3/5 117/120	/0 60/120	/0 60/120	/1 +
South Lenzie Drainage and Lighting and Cadder Water,	1/11 27/120	1/8 30/120	3/7 57/120	1/10 117/120	1/8	3/6 117/120	/0 30/120	0/30/120	/0 60/120 +
South Lenzie Drainage,	1/3 117/120	1/1	2/4 117/120	1/3 57/120	1/0 60/120	2/3 117/120	/0 60/120	/0 60/120	/1 +
Cadder Water,	1/8 117/120	1/6	3/2 117/120	1/6 117/120	1/4	2/10 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/1 117/120	/11	2/0 117/120	/11 117/120	/9	1/8 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Parish of Carmunnock—									
Carmunnock Drainage (with Domestic Water),	2/11 57/120	2/8 60/120	5/7 117/120	2/7 117/120	2/5	5/0 117/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Do. (without do.),	2/3 57/120	2/0 60/120	4/3 117/120	2/1 57/120	1/10 60/120	3/11 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Outwith all Districts (with Domestic Water),	1/11 57/120	1/8 60/120	3/7 117/120	1/7 117/120	1/5	3/0 117/120	/3 60/120	/3 60/120	/7 +
Do. (without do.),	1/3 57/120	1/0 60/120	2/3 117/120	1/1 57/120	/10 60/120	1/11 117/120	/2	/2	/4 +
Parish of Glasgow—									
Barony Drainage and Purification Works (South),	1/2 50/120	/11 54/120	2/1 114/120	/11 97/120	/8 111/120	1/8 88/120	2/ 73/120	/2 73/120	/5 26/120 +
Barony Drainage and Glasgow Sewage Purification,	1/3 110/120	1/1 4/120	2/4 114/120	1/1 93/120	/10 107/120	2/0 80/120	/2 17/120	/2 17/120	/4 34/120 +
Barony Drainage and Glasgow Sewage Purification, and Cadder Water,	1/10 110/120	1/8 4/120	3/6 114/120	1/8 93/120	1/5 107/120	3/2 80/120	/2 17/120	/2 17/120	/4 34/120 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2/5 110/120	2/3 4/120	4/8 114/120	2/2 97/120	1/11 111/120	4/2 88/120	/3 13/120	/3 13/120	/6 26/120 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/10 110/120	1/8 4/120	3/6 114/120	1/7 97/120	1/4 111/120	3/0 88/120	/3 13/120	/3 13/120	/6 26/120 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Lighting and Scavenging,	1/3 110/120	1/1 4/120	2/4 114/120	1/0 97/120	/9 111/120	1/10 88/120	/3 13/120	/3 13/120	/6 26/120 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage and Cadder Water,	2/2 50/120	1/11 64/120	4/1 114/120	2/0 37/120	1/9 51/120	3/9 88/120	/2 13/120	/2 13/120	/4 26/120 +
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Scavenging and Cadder Water,	1/9 110/120	1/7 4/120	3/4 114/120	1/7 37/120	1/4 51/120	2/11 88/120	/2 73/120	/2 73/120	/5 26/120 +
Lambhill Lighting,	1/2 50/120	/11 64/120	2/1 114/120	/11 37/120	/8 51/120	1/7 88/120	/3 13/120	/3 13/120	/6 26/120 +
Millerston and Stepps Lighting and Cadder Water,	1/7 80/120	1/4 94/120	3/0 54/120	1/5 97/120	1/2 111/120	2/8 88/120	/1 103/120	/1 103/120	/3 86/120 +
Stepps Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2/3 20/120	2/0 34/120	4/3 54/120	2/1 37/120	1/10 51/120	3/11 88/120	/1 103/120	/1 103/120	/3 86/120 +
Stepps Drainage and Lighting and Cadder Water,	2/1 20/120	1/10 34/120	3/11 54/120	1/11 37/120	1/8 51/120	3/7 88/120	/1 103/120	/1 103/120	/3 86/120 +
Stepps Drainage and Cadder Water,	2/0 110/120	1/10 4/120	3/10 114/120	1/10 97/120	1/7 111/120	3/6 88/120	/2 13/120	/2 13/120	/4 26/120 +

LOWER WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*	1918-1919.			1917 1918.			Increase (+) or Decrease (−).		
	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total	Owners.	Occupiers.	Total.
Parish of Glasgow—*Continued*—									
Millerston and Stepps Lighting, Barony Drainage, and Glasgow Sewage Purification,	1/4 20/120	1/1 34/120	2/5 54/120	1/2 33/120	/11 47/120	2/1 80/120	/1 107/120	/1 107/120	3 94/120 +
North Shettleston Lighting, Scavenging, Electric Lighting, Barony Drainage, and Purification Works (South),	1/6 110/120	1/4 4/120	2/10 114/120	1/4 37/120	1/1 51/120	2/5 88/120	/2 73/120	/2 73/120	/5 26/120 +
North Shettleston Lighting, Scavenging, Electric Lighting, Barony Drainage, and Glasgow Sewage Purification,	1/8 50/120	1/5 64/120	3/1 114/120	1/6 33/120	1/3 47/120	2/9 80/120	/2 17/120	/2 17/120	/4 34/120 +
North Shettleston Lighting and Barony Drainage and Purification Works (South),	1/3 50/120	1/0 64/120	2/3 114/120	1/1 37/120	/10 51/120	1/11 88/120	/2 13/120	/2 13/120	/4 26/120 +
Cadder Water,	1/7 50/120	1/4 64/120	2/11 114/120	1/5 37/120	1/2 51/120	2/7 88/120	/2 13/120	/2 13/120	/4 26/120 +
Outwith all Districts.	1/0 50/120	/9 64/120	1/9 114/120	/10 37/120	/7 51/120	1/5 88/120	/2 13/120	/2 13/120	/4 26/120 +
Parish of Rutherglen (all in Glasgow Sewage Purification Area)—									
Rutherglen Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1/9 27/120	1/6 30/120	3/3 57/120	1/7 113/120	1/4 116/120	3/0 109/120	/1 34/120	/1 34/120	/2 68/120 +
Do. Drainage and Lighting,	1/6 117/120	1/4	2/10 117/120	1/5 113/120	1/2 116/120	2/8 109/120	/1 4/120	/1 4/120	2 8/120 +
Do. Drainage,	1/6 87/120	1/3 90/120	2/10 57/120	1/5 53/120	1/2 56/120	2/7 109/120	1 34/120	/1 34/120	/2 68/120 +
Do. Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging.	2/1 57/120	1/10 60/120	3/11 117/120	1/9 113/120	1/6 116/120	3/4 109/120	/3 64/120	/3 64/120	/7 8/120 +
Do. Drainage and Cambuslang Scavenging.	1/11 27/120	1/8 30/120	3/7 57/120	1/9 113/120	1/6 116/120	3/4 109/120	/1 34/120	/1 34/120	/2 68/120 +
Outwith all Districts,	1/5 57/120	1/2 60/120	2/7 117/120	1/3 53/120	1/0 56/120	2/3 109/120	/2 4/120	/2 4/120	/4 8/120 +

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

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COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 8th July, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. 8th July, 1918.

Present—

Gavin Hamilton.	T. M'Auslin.
W. K. Jackson.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
William Love.	James Tonner, M.B.E.

In the absence of Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Sullivan was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were also intimated on behalf of Mr. J. Raeside Auld and Mr. Gallacher. Apologies.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 17th June, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that he had conferred with the Sub-Executive Officers, who considered that the scale of remuneration fixed for their services was inadequate, and he hoped at next meeting to be able to submit an amended scale, which would be generally acceptable. Remuneration of Executive Officers.

Since last meeting Mr. Cormack, the Sub-Executive Officer for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area, had intimated his desire to be relieved of his post, and Mr. Gillies, the Sub-Executive Officer for the Shotts Area, had been called up for military service. A meeting of the Sub-Committee for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area was to be held on Tuesday, 9th instant, to consider Mr. Cormack's resignation. As regards the Shotts Area, a meeting of the sub-committee for the area had taken place on Thursday, which the Executive Officer had attended, when the sub-committee had arranged to have the work taken over by Mr. Stevenson, the Local Secretary of the Shepherd's Society, who had a suitable office, at a salary of £100 per annum to cover all clerical assistance unless in the case of a general issue of ration books or similar documents to the public. In the meantime the Clerk had agreed to give Mr. Stevenson the services of one of his assistants for a week or two, to initiate him into the work. The committee approved. Resignation of Executive Officers for Bothwell and Uddingston and Shotts Areas.

Applications for registration under Sale of Sweetmeats (Restriction) Order.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyd, Ltd., asking the committee to reconsider their decision refusing a certificate of registration under the Sale of Sweetmeats (Restriction) Order, 1918, for their Canteen at Phœnix Works, and also a letter from the Superintendent of the Canteen at the National Projectile Factory, Mossend, asking that a certificate of registration be granted to that canteen under the Order. The committee resolved to adhere to their previous decision as regards the application of Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyd, Ltd., and to refuse the application for the National Projectile Factory.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that the application by Messrs. William Ovens & Son, Biggar, had been remitted to the Local Sub-Committee for enquiry, and he now laid this application before the committee, with a report on it by the Biggar Sub-Committee. Having considered the report, the committee agreed to grant the application.

Increase of number of committee.

There was submitted a letter from the Ministry of Food, of date 25th June, 1918, approving of the appointment of Mr. Gallacher as a member of the committee, and intimating that the Food Controller had authorised the number of the committee to be increased to thirteen.

Applications for transfer of retailers' Certificates of Registration.

There were laid before the meeting the following applications for transfers of certificates of registration of retailers, viz.:—

Alexander Paterson, Woodside Cottage, Jerviston Street, New Stevenston, for transfer of certificate as milk retailer held by Mrs. M'Farlane, who had removed from the premises.

J. M. Sellars, Common Green, Strathaven, for transfer of certificate as fish retailer held at that address by Mrs. Leslie, from whom Mr. Sellar had taken over the business.

Miss J. R. Kelly, Braidwood Station, for transfer of certificates as retailer of butter and margarine, flour and bread, bacon and lard, sugar and potatoes, held at that address by her sister, Miss E. R. Kelly, from whom she had taken over the business.

The committee agreed to grant all the applications.

Application for permission to deliver new bread.

There were submitted applications for permission to deliver bread less than twelve hours old from the following bakers, viz.:—

William Brown, Crawford;

A. J. Gibson, Biggar;

James Miller, London Street, Larkhall; and

Thomas Muir & Son, 160 High Street, Newarthill.

The committee resolved to grant the applications by William Brown and A. J. Gibson, subject, in the case of William Brown's application, to the condition that new bread should only be delivered to customers residing more than two miles from his bakery. They decided to refuse the applications of James Miller and Thomas Muir & Son.

Application under Retail Business (Licensing) Order.

There was also submitted an application by David Coia, 111 Airbles Street, Motherwell, for the committee's approval of an application by him,

under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, for a licence to establish a new business as a confectioner in a shop in Jerviston Street, New Stevenston, in lieu of a similar business hitherto carried on at M'Aulay's Land, New Stevenston, which was now being given up. The committee approved of the application.

Butchers' holidays.

The Clerk drew the attention of the committee to the fact that the butchers in certain towns were arranging to close for periods during the Fair Holidays, and stated that he had been approached by some traders in the county, who desired to know if the committee proposed to give any instruction to the trade on the subject. The committee resolved that butchers in the Lower and Middle Ward should be instructed to observe as holidays the period from 13th to 20th July, inclusive, excepting Tuesday, 16th, and Friday, 19th July, on which days it was considered necessary for butchers' shops to be kept open for the reasonable convenience of the public.

Proceedings of Sub-Committees on Orders relating to Sugar and Flour and Bread.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at meetings of the Sub-Committees on Orders relating to Sugar and to Flour and Bread, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof, and of the several findings and recommendations of these sub-committees.

19th August, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 19th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	Thomas M'Auslin.
Gavin Hamilton.	Mrs. Neish.
William K. Jackson.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Robert Lambie.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
William Love.	

James Tonner, M.B.E.

Chairman.

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the Committee, of date 8th July, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Constitution of Sub-Committee for Bothwell and Uddingston Area.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Cormack, formerly the Sub-Executive Officer at Uddingston, intimating that, after consulting with the Co-operative Societies, Merchants' Association, and Independent Labour Party, the Sub-Committee for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area recommended the appointment of the following additional members:—

Mr. John Robb, manager, Hamilton Palace Colliery Co-operative Society, Bothwell;

Mr. W. H. Paterson, butcher, Bothwell;

Mr. Wm. Simpson, Thorniewood;

as representing co-operators, private traders, and labour respectively. The committee approved.

The Clerk reported that he had now adjusted with the Sub-Executive Officers a new scale of salaries which was generally satisfactory. Copies of the scale had been issued to the members of the committee prior to this meeting. A copy of the proposed scale had also been sent to the Food Commissioner, and there was read to the meeting a letter from him, of date 5th current, intimating his approval of the proposed salaries, and expressing the opinion that an economical arrangement had been come to. The committee approved of the scale, a copy of which forms an appendix hereto.

Tea rationing.—Communication from Hamilton Food Control Committee.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Hamilton Food Control Committee, suggesting that the question of rationing tea might, amongst other matters, be the subject of a conference between the committee and the Lanarkshire Burgh Committees, and asking that such a conference might be held. The Clerk was instructed to inform the Hamilton Food Control Committee that the question of rationing tea would be put upon the agenda of the conference referred to in the minute of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk.

National Kitchens.—Communication from County Council.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the County Clerk, transmitting a copy of circular letter, of date 19th ultimo, from the Director of National Kitchens, regarding the expediency of steps being taken to set up National Kitchens. The County Council desired to have the committee's views on the subject.

The committee, having considered the communication, were of opinion that, in the meantime, the circumstances of their area were not such as to justify any immediate action being taken to establish National Kitchens, and they instructed the Clerk to intimate this to the County Council, and at the same time to state that, while this was the opinion of the committee, they would keep the matter before them, and report to the County Council if and when they considered any demand for a National Kitchen existed in any locality within their area.

Applications under Retail Business (Licensing) Order.

There were laid before the meeting applications under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order from the following persons:—

Miss Annie Scott, 213 Annfield Terrace, Blantyre, for permission to open a fried-fish restaurant at 131 Glasgow Road, Blantyre.

John Stewart, Oakbank, Muirhead, Chryston, for permission to open a shop at Chryston for baking and selling scones and light refreshments.

The Cambuslang Industrial Co-operative Society, for permission to open two new branches for the sale of fruit and vegetables in Cambuslang District.

The committee, having considered the circumstances of each application, agreed to approve of all of them.

Application for registration as a fish retailer.

There was submitted an application for registration as a retailer of fish by John Douglas, 13 Ashgill Rows, Dalserf. The committee agreed to grant this application.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table prints of various Official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting.

Proceedings of sub-committees.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at meetings of the Sub-Committees on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, Potatoes, and Flour and Bread, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof and of the several findings and recommendations of these sub-committees.

The attention of the committee having been drawn to the high price prevailing for eggs, the Clerk was instructed to bring the matter before the notice of the Food Commissioner, with a request that the Food Controller should be asked to take steps to control the price of eggs. High price of eggs.

APPENDIX.

REMUNERATION OF SUB-EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.

	Payment for 4 months to 31st Dec., 1917.	Equal to a Rate per annum of	Proposed Rate per annum.
1. Biggar,	£10 0 0	£30 0 0	£65 plus £10 as allowance for office.
2. Abington,	7 10 0	22 10 0	50
3. Forth and Carnwath,	15 0 0	45 0 0	80
4. Carluke,	15 0 0	45 0 0	104 (office provided).
5. Lesmahagow	18 0 0	54 0 0	95
6. Lanark,	10 10 0	31 10 0	65
7. Bellshill and Holytown,	45 0 0	135 0 0	260 and allowance for cleaning office.
8. Bothwell and Uddingston,	25 0 0	75 0 0	170*
9. New Monkland,	20 0 0	60 0 0	140
10. Old Monkland,	25 0 0	75 0 0	160 plus £15 as allowance for office.
11. East Kilbride,	10 0 0	30 0 0	65
12. Strathaven,	10 0 0	30 0 0	70
13. Larkhall,	25 0 0	75 0 0	165 plus £15 as allowance for office.
14. Stonehouse,	10 0 0	30 0 0	65
15. Blantyre,	34 0 0	102 0 0	180
16. Cambuslang,	40 0 0	120 0 0	180
17. Cambusnethan,	20 0 0	60 0 0	90
18. Shotts,	25 0 0	75 0 0	170*
19. Cadder and Shettleston,	25 0 0	75 0 0	170
20. Rutherglen (Landward),	10 0 0	30 0 0	65
	£400 0 0	£1,200 0 0	£2,409

The proposed salary to include all ordinary clerical assistance, but not clerical work in connection with periodical general issues of ration books, &c.

* The Sub-Executive Officers for the Bothwell and Uddingston and Shotts Areas having resigned, the salaries proposed will only be payable up to the dates of their resignations. A new Sub-Executive Officer has been appointed for Shotts Area, at a commencing salary of £100 per annum, and an advertisement has been inserted for a Sub-Executive Officer for the Bothwell and Uddingston Area, at £2 2s. per week.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *19th July*, 1918.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar.

8th July, 1918. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 8th July, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Sugar.

Present—

Gavin Hamilton. William Love.
W. K. Jackson. T. M'Auslin.
Robert Lambie. Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. J. Raeside Auld, chairman of the sub-committee, from whom an apology for absence was intimated, Mr. Gavin Hamilton was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Apologies. Apologies for absence were also intimated on behalf of Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., and Mr. Gallacher.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting of sub-committee. The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 27th May, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Applications by manufacturers. The Clerk submitted the following late applications for supplies of sugar for use by manufacturers, viz.:—

William Blackley, 228 Glasgow Road, Blantyre, for toffies and sweets;
Mrs. Jessie Watt, Inglisneuk, Douglas, for pastries;
Giulio Valerio, Main Street, Lesmahagow, for aerated waters.

The sub-committee, having considered the circumstances of the several applications, decided to refuse them all.

Sugar for jam-making. The Clerk reported that, in consequence of it being no longer permissible to use sugar for making ice-cream, two Italian Shopkeepers, one in Bellshill and the other in Shotts, had been left with considerable stocks of sugar in hand, which they could not legally use. The Food Commissioner had suggested that the sugar might be taken over by a manufacturer, and it appeared to the Clerk that this suggestion could be given effect to if the sugar were allocated amongst applicants for sugar for preserving fruit, who had received unduly small amounts in comparison with the fruit they had to preserve. The sub-committee approved of the clerk's suggestion, and remitted to him to allocate the sugar amongst institutions in the County such as V.A.D. Hospitals, &c.

In connection with the suggestion that any fruit which private growers could not preserve might be made available to jam manufacturers for pulping, the Clerk reported that the Ministry of Food had expressed approval of the proposal, and was desirous that the committee should do anything they could to prevent the fruit being wasted. He had already communicated with the jam manufacturers in the County, and had ascertained that they would be pleased to take over fruit from private growers if arrangements could be made for its collection and delivery, and that if any quantity was available at a particular spot they would send for it. He had also already been able to refer some growers to the jam manufacturers. It was agreed to remit to the Local Sub-Committees to take steps to secure that any surplus fruit in their areas which the owners might not themselves be able to preserve for want of sugar should, so far as possible, be collected and handed over to jam manufacturers.

Prevention of waste of surplus fruit.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

8th July, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 8th July, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

Present—

Gavin Hamilton.	T. M'Auslin.
W. K. Jackson.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
William Love.	James Tonner, M.B.E.

Chairman.

Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mr. J. Raeside Auld, Mr. Gallacher, and Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 27th May, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Retail prices for milk.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 26th ultimo, approving of the maximum retail prices for milk fixed by the committee for the summer months.

Supply of milk in Mossend district.

The Clerk reported that, along with Mr. Anderson, Sub-Executive Officer for the Bellshill Area, he had interviewed Mr. Stalker, senior, who was now retailing at his farm the milk from his son's farm, which was formerly delivered to Mrs. Robb, dairykeeper, Calder Road, Mossend. Mr. Stalker, senior, was also retailing from his cart every morning the milk produced by his own cows, so that all the milk which came into the area previously was still being sold there, the only alteration being that the milk from Mr. Stalker, junior's, cows, instead of being sold by Mrs. Robb, was being sold by Mr. Stalker, senior, at his premises, which were about a quarter of a mile distant from the residences of Mrs. Robb's former customers. Mr. Stalker, junior, stated that he was not prepared to sell his milk wholesale any longer, and that if he were not permitted to sell it by retail he would prefer to give up his dairy. In the meantime Mrs. Robb had been able to get a supply from other sources, so that the district was better off for milk than formerly, the only drawback being that Mr. Stalker, senior's, premises were not very conveniently placed or well suited for retailing milk. The sub-committee agreed to continue further consideration of this matter in the meantime.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 19th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Milk and Butter. 19th August, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. William Love.
Gavin Hamilton. Thomas M'Auslin.
William K. Jackson. Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie. Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 8th July, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that he had received representations from the Sub-Executive Officer for the Bellshill and Holytown Area, to the effect that there was a probability of a shortage of milk in that area during the winter months. There was also the possibility of a similar state of affairs occurring in other industrial areas, and the position was liable to aggravation by some farmers having given up keeping dairy cows, on account, they alleged, of indispensable men having been called up for military service. The Clerk had, therefore, thought it proper to draw the attention of the sub-committee to the position of affairs, in order that they might consider what steps, if any, should be taken to secure the continuance of an adequate supply of milk in all parts of their district. Milk supplies during winter months.

The sub-committee, having considered the Clerk's report, were unanimously of opinion that, while they might be able, by commandeering supplies within the County to secure their own area against shortage during the winter, this would not be a proper course to follow without having regard to the interests of other communities, and they therefore decided to ask the Food Control Committees, with whom they had been previously in consultation in connection with other matters, to send delegates to a conference to be held on Monday, 26th current, when the question of milk supplies for the winter and any other matters of general interest might be fully considered.

Inadequate punishment of offenders.

The attention of the sub-committee having been drawn to the fact that adulteration of milk appeared to be increasing, and that the penalties imposed on persons convicted of such offences were comparatively trifling, and that frequently no notice of such convictions appeared in the public press, it was unanimously agreed to instruct the Clerk to write to the County Council, suggesting that they should take steps to have the names of offenders published by means of posters, and to the Food Commissioner, to ask him to represent to the Ministry of Food that steps should be taken to secure that more adequate penalties were imposed.

Increase of producer's price.

The Clerk reminded the committee that, on account of the increase of 4d. granted by the Ministry of Food to producers of milk, the wholesalers' price for the month of August had risen to 2s. 0½d. per gallon, while the retail price remained at 2s. per gallon. The committee's district had not been affected to any extent by this anomaly, as it was supplied almost exclusively by producers who were limited to a price of 1s. 6d. The difficulty had proved more acute in some of the urban districts, and the Clerk understood that this had been got over by increasing the retail price in these districts.

Distribution of condensed milk.

There was submitted a communication from the Néstle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, suggesting that the committee might adopt a scheme to secure that supplies of condensed milk were made available for infants in preference to the rest of the population. The scheme, in effect, provided for the Food Control Committee directing retailers to hold 50 per cent. of their supplies at the committee's disposal, and for the granting by the committee of official cards to guardians of infants. The sub-committee approved of the proposal, and remitted to the Clerk to frame a scheme on the lines suggested.

Application for registration as retailer of Kosher margarine.

There was submitted an application from the Maypole Dairy Company, Limited, for registration as retailers of Kosher margarine for observant Jews. The sub-committee agreed to grant the application.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

There were laid on the table prints of Official Orders and Leaflets issued by the Ministry of Food since the date of last meeting.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 19th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Potatoes. 19th August, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

Mr. T. M'Auslin, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 8th July, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted applications for registration as retailers of eating and seed potatoes from— Applications for registration as retailers.

Joseph Park, 2 Coronation Buildings, Carfin; and
John Craig, Greengrocer, Main Street, Glengairs;

and for registration as retailers of eating potatoes from—

M. S. Marchbanks, Grocer, Hutchland, Lesmahagow;
Mrs. Walter Raeburn, Hartwood;
Peter Goldie, 27 Park Street, Cambuslang; and
Thomas Grier, 117 Main Street, Holytown.

The sub-committee, having considered the various applications and received explanations regarding the individual circumstances of each, agreed to grant all the applications.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 19th June, 1918, regarding a claim for compensation under the Potatoes Order No. 2, 1917, made by Mr. John Gardiner, Kiln Hill, Lesmahagow. Mr. Gardiner had failed to comply with the condition regarding delivery, owing, he alleged, to congestion on the railway, and the Food Commissioner was prepared to pass the claim if the sub-committee were satisfied with the explanation given by Mr. Gardiner. The sub-committee, having considered Mr. Gardiner's explanation, along with a letter from the Stationmaster at Sandilands substantiating his statement, agreed to recommend to the Food Commissioner that Mr. Gardiner's claim be passed. Claim by Mr. Gardiner for compensation under Potatoes Order No. 2, 1917.

There were laid on the table prints of Official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued by the Food Controller since the date of last meeting. Official Orders and Leaflets.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

19th August, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 19th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Gallacher.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

Chairman.

Mr. Tonner, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 17th June, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Application for permission to charge a higher price for bread.

There was submitted an application from Mr. J. B. Veitch, Braehead, Carnwath, for permission to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf, which he purchased from Mr. Smith, Baker, Carnwath, at 9½d. and was presently selling at this price as an obligement to customers.

The sub-committee, having considered the circumstances of Mr. Veitch's application, were of opinion that Mr. Veitch could not be allowed to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf. They, however, agreed to recommend that he should be permitted to sell the 4-lb. loaf at 9½d., and the 2-lb. loaf at 4¾d.

There was also submitted a letter from the Commissioner on Wheat Supplies regarding an application made by Mr. John Leszik, Baker, Benburb Bakery, Carfin, for permission to sell his rye bread at a higher price than that which is fixed by the Food Controller, and asking if the committee would approve of the issue of a licence to him on the same terms as was granted some time ago to Messrs. Varpas, Ltd., Bellshill, the prices fixed by that licence being 2¾d. per 1-lb. loaf, 5d. per 2-lb. loaf, and 10d. per 4-lb. loaf, for cash over the counter, with a reasonable additional charge for delivery.

The sub-committee instructed the Clerk to represent against a higher charge for rye bread which Mr. Leszik desired to make, and at the same time to draw attention to the trouble which Mr. Leszik had caused by charges for delivery to retailers whom he was supplying.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from Mr. James Muir, Crosswell Bakery, Newarthill, asking for a licence to deliver new bread to grocers in Salsburgh on Saturdays only, to be sold by them on Monday following; also a licence to deliver new bread on Tuesdays before the monthly holiday. Mr. Muir explained that Salsburgh was 4 miles from Newarthill: that there were no bakers in the village; and that he did not visit the village between Saturday and Tuesday. The sub-committee approved of the granting of a licence to Mr. Muir. Application for a licence to deliver new bread.

The Clerk reminded the committee that the use of potatoes in bread became compulsory on 1st proximo, and he thought it worth while to draw their attention to the matter again in case they might wish to make any representations to the Food Commissioner in view of the improved prospects of flour supplies. It was decided to raise this matter at the Conference of Food Control Committees to be held on 26th current. Potatoes in bread.

There was laid on the table copies of licences granted by the Ministry of Food to manufacturers within the committee's district to obtain flour for the purposes of their businesses, and also copies of two licences granted to individuals to obtain white flour to prepare bread for invalids. Licences.

The Clerk drew attention to the fact that a general practice was prevailing throughout the County of retailers selling white flour unmixed, although the Food Controller's Orders expressly provided that white flour could only be sold mixed with an equal quantity of dark flour. In some instances retailers were insisting on customers, to whom they were supplying white flour, purchasing an equal quantity of dark flour at the same time, but even this course led to abuse. It had been reported to the Clerk that some of these parties were using white flour so obtained for home consumption and employing the dark flour for feeding poultry and other non-domestic uses. The sub-committee instructed the Clerk to make representation to the Food Commissioner on the subject. Sale of white flour.

There were also laid on the table prints of Official Orders and Leaflets which have been issued by the Food Controller since the date of last meeting. Official Orders and Leaflets.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 7th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 7th August, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.	Andrew Murdoch.
John A. Beattie.	Gavin Shanks.
George Fraser.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
John Hurll.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.
Adam D. Mack.	

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice of meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 3rd July, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee, he had, along with the chairman, attended the deliberations of the Scottish Grand Committee on the Education (Scotland) Bill. They had been successful in having notice given of all amendments desired by the committee, and everything possible had been done by the chairman and himself to obtain the support of members of the Grand Committee to these. The Committee stage of the Bill had concluded on 6th August, 1918, and the general result was satisfactory. — Education (Scotland) Bill.

The County had been adopted as the area of the new Education Authority, and the Secretary for Scotland has agreed to accept the committee's amendment, providing for local inquiry before the boundaries of electoral divisions were definitely fixed.

On the question of rating, the Grand Committee had, on a division, by 17 votes to 15, adhered to the provisions of the Bill. The strength of the arguments in favour of the committee's amendment had, however, been recognised, and a saving proviso has been inserted in the rating clause, to the effect that the scheme of the Bill was only to be maintained until Parliament should otherwise determine, the Government apparently holding the

view that, while a case had been made for the amendment desired by the County Council, this was a matter which should be dealt with when the question of rating generally was being considered by Parliament. It was still open to the County Council to raise the question of rating on the Report Stage, and the Clerk suggested that the committee might now consider whether steps should be taken to have this done. The committee expressed their approval of the action taken by the chairman and clerk, and unanimously resolved that an effort should be made to have the question of rating reopened on the Report Stage of the Bill.

Public Health administration.

The Clerk further reported that the chairman and he had taken part in a deputation representing the Association of County Councils, the Convention of Royal Burghs, the Association of District Committees, and the Corporation of Glasgow, which had, on 16th July, 1918, waited on the Scottish members of Parliament in London. At this conference the views of the Local Authorities on the reorganisation of Public Health administration, and as to the constitution of a new Ministry of Public Health, has been put before the members. Questions relating to Police pay and Housing and Town Planning had also been raised.

Lanarkshire tramways. — Proposed Bye-law.

There was submitted a letter from Messrs. W. & J. C. Pollock, solicitors, Hamilton, of date 10th July, asking the approval of the County Council to a proposed Bye-law relating to the collection of fares on the Lanarkshire tramways. The committee agreed to continue consideration of the draft Bye-law to a future meeting.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

4th September, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 4th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John A. Beattie.	Adam D. Mack.
George Fraser.	James C. Pollok.
Robert Lambie.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.

William Templeton.

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O., and Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 7th August, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Lanarkshire Tramways. — Interview with manager.

The Clerk reported that he had communicated to the Lanarkshire Tramways Company the views expressed at last meeting of the County Council regarding the condition of the Company's system and the method in which it was being operated, and had invited the Company to send representatives to this meeting, in order that the whole position of matters might be discussed and the representatives of the Company might have an opportunity of affording any explanations they might think fit. In answer to that communication, Mr. Moller, manager of the Company, had written intimating that he would be present at this meeting, and Mr. Moller was now in attendance. Mr. Moller having been invited to enter the meeting, the chairman explained to him the nature of the complaints as to the present state of the tramway system, the way in which it was operated, and the danger which it was alleged attended its use by members of the public. Various members of the committee also expressed their views, and referred specially to the accident which had occurred on the Larkhall route last year, and to what was considered unfair discrimination in the upkeep of the system, as between portions of track in the areas of different Local Authorities. Mention was also made of the speed at which cars were driven over portions of the system. Mr. Moller having replied to the various charges, and explained the difficulties he was experiencing in regard to the obtaining of sufficient labour and material, promised to do his best to remove all reasonable ground for complaint.

Proposed Bye-law *re* collection of fares.

The committee then resumed consideration of the proposed Bye-law relating to the collection of fares, which had been before them at the last meeting, when the Clerk reported that, in answer to an inquiry by him as to whether any other tramway companies had adopted a Bye-law in the same terms, the agents for the Lanarkshire Tramways Company had informed him that the London United Tramways Company already had a similar Bye-law. Mr. Moller explained the grounds on which the Company desired the Bye-law passed, and statements in support of the Bye-law were also made by a deputation, representative of the Tramway Company's Inspectors and conductors, whom Mr. Moller had in attendance, and who were heard by the committee at his request.

Mr. Moller and the deputation having withdrawn, and the committee having considered his explanations, it was, on the motion of Mr. Lambie, seconded by Mr. Beattie, agreed to intimate to the Lanarkshire Tramways Company that the committee were satisfied that ground for complaint existed both in regard to defects in the condition of their system and its method of operation, and that unless, as undertaken by Mr. Moller, steps were taken as speedily as possible to remedy the state of matters, the County Council would be compelled to seek the intervention of the Board of Trade. Mr. Sullivan dissented, being of opinion that, in view of the accident which had already occurred, the Board of Trade should be asked to inspect the track at once.

As regards the proposed Bye-law, the committee resolved to again continue consideration of it till a future date, in order that the Clerk might, in the interval, ascertain if a similar Bye-law were in operation on any tramway systems in addition to that of the London United Tramways Company.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 7th August, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 7th August, 1918.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
WILLIAM BARR.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
GEORGE FRASER.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
ADAM D. MACK.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
Col. Sir ROBERT KING STEWART, K.B.E.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 3rd July, 1918, which had been submitted to, and approved by, the County Council at their meeting held earlier in the day, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £75,368 16s. 4d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Coyle and Mr. Mack. — Accounts and requisitions.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting of this committee, instructing the allocation of £500 of the £1,000 agreed to be set aside by the County Council for the assistance of British Prisoners of War in Germany, to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men, the Clerk intimated that, previous to the allocation being completed, he had received four additional names of men in captivity, bringing the total number up to ninety; and that, as a round sum of £5 10s. per man for that number represented a total of £495, he had adopted the latter figure for the purposes of the allocation, thus leaving a balance of £505 to carry forward. The meeting approved. — Prisoners of War relief.—Report of allocation of £495.

Statement of loan indebtedness and bank balance.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 3RD AUGUST, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,519,064	14 3
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£54,022 7 3		
Loans repaid do., ...	51,103 14 10		
		2,918	12 5
		£1,521,983	6 8
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		19,530	9 10
		£1,541,513	16 6

The County Fund stands at £51,845 9s. 2d. to the credit, made up as follows, viz.:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£50,000	0 0
On Account Current, ...	1,845	9 2
	£51,845	9 2

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Payments from Equivalent Grant sanctioned by Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk intimated letters from the Secretary for Scotland, of date 18th July and 19th July, 1918, respectively, sanctioning the following payments voted by the County Council from the Equivalent Grant:—

(1) £100 for provision of comforts for Road Construction and Quarrying Companies in France; and

(2) £50 for expenses of representatives from the County Authorities to the annual congress of the Sanitary Association of Scotland, to be held in Stirling in September, 1918.

House Letting Act. — Abstract of owners' claims for 1917-18.

The Clerk laid upon the table an abstract of owners' claims for 1917-18 (Appendix), as allowed under Section 7 (3) of the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911. The abstract showed that the net amount to be refunded to owners was £655 14s. 10d., which sum the meeting passed for payment, together with the usual fee of £60 to be allocated among Parish Council Clerks and Collectors for checking the claims and performing other duties under the joint-scheme with the Parish Councils for giving effect to claims and reliefs.

Youthful offenders.—Kathleen Harris.

The Procurator-Fiscal of the Middle Ward at Hamilton, having reported the conviction in the Sheriff Court there of a youthful offender, Kathleen Harris, 33 Allison Place, Blantyre, for theft, and her committal to Arno's Court Reformatory, Bristol, for five years, the meeting agreed, in terms of the Children Act, to become responsible for the cost of the girl's maintenance in that Institution.

There was laid before the meeting the undernoted requisition by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking:— Middle Ward Water requisition.

Camps Scheme, dated 26th July, 1918, ... £2,551 3 5

The Clerk submitted and read the following circular letter from the Director of National Kitchens, Ministry of Food:— National Kitchens. — Communication from Director.

"Ministry of Food,
"4 St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C.4,
"19th July, 1918.

"SIR,

"NATIONAL KITCHENS.

"Adverting to previous circular communications on the subject of the establishment of National Kitchens, the Minister of Food desires to remind Local Authorities in Scotland of the powers conferred upon them by Order, dated February, 1918, and to request their early and earnest consideration of the matter. Over 500 National Kitchens have so far been inaugurated, and the results have fully justified their introduction. That National Kitchens can be made self-supporting if they are conceived on proper business lines has been fully proved, and the national circumstances bearing on the supply and distribution of food make it specially necessary that Local Authorities should, as a matter of immediate concern not only to their constituents but in the national interests, avail themselves of the powers granted to them. The rationing of coal and gas in Scotland adds to the desirability and urgency for Local Authorities acting in this matter, and I am to express the hope that your Local Authority will, at the earliest possible moment, take the whole matter into their careful consideration. It has been abundantly proved that great national good can be secured through the agency of National Kitchens, and the Minister of Food makes a strong appeal to Local Authorities to extend and develop this important branch of the Food Control in their respective districts.

"The experience which has been gained in those districts where National Kitchens have been established will be most helpful to Local Authorities, and all necessary advice and assistance will be readily and willingly made available by the Department, who are in a position, through their experts, to advise on technical matters relating to the establishment and management of Kitchens. The Divisional Director for Scotland, Mr. W. E. Whyte, District Offices, Hamilton, will be pleased to confer with Local Authorities and their officials, and to afford them all necessary information and assistance in the preparation of schemes, and otherwise.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) "CHAS. SPENCER,
"*Director National Kitchens.*

"The CLERK TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITY,
"Hamilton."

The meeting resolved that, in the first instance, the Local Food Control Committee be asked to report on the communication, and they instructed accordingly. Remitted to Local Food Control Committee for report.

Shettleston electric lighting. — Question of disposal of credit balance.

The Clerk submitted and read the following letter from the District Clerk of the Lower Ward: —

"15 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 5th August, 1918.

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"In preparing the estimates for the current year, I find that, in order to meet the increased expenditure for carting and removal of refuse in the North Shettleston Scavenging District, it will be necessary to increase the assessment in that district from 6d. per £, the last year's rate, to 8d. per £. As a rate of 2d. per £ will be required in the North Shettleston Lighting District, it will bring the two rates over the limit of 9d. authorised by the Local Government Act, 1894, and it will accordingly be necessary to apply for the approval of the Local Government Board to the increase over the limit of 9d. per £, in accordance with Section 16 of the Local Government Act, 1908.

"I notice, however, in the County Accounts for the year ending 15th May, 1917, under "Electric Lighting Orders—Maintenance" (page 101), there is a balance of £366 16s. at the credit of Shettleston Electric Lighting District.

"I am not aware how this balance has arisen, but, as the Shettleston Electric Lighting District has been absorbed by Glasgow, under the Boundaries Act of 1912, it occurs to me to inquire whether the balance referred to could not be made available towards the reduction of the Lighting Rate in the existing North Shettleston Lighting District, so far as to enable the combined Lighting and Scavenging rate to be kept within the 9d. limit, and so render unnecessary an application to the Local Government Board for their approval to exceed that limit, and it will be obliging hearing from you regarding the matter.

"Yours faithfully,
"JAMES A. M'CALLUM."

Committee's recommendation.

The meeting, after consideration, and hearing the Clerk (who explained that the Electric Lighting area in question had not been wholly absorbed in Glasgow), resolved to recommend in accordance with the District Clerk's suggestion, subject to the County Auditor raising no objections to the proposals, and to the Clerk satisfying himself that there was little prospect of all the money being required for the development of the portion of District left in the County.

Emoluments of Depute Clerk of the Peace at Airdrie.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting of this committee, the Clerk reported that Dr. Brown, the Clerk of the Peace for the Middle Ward, and Mr. J. Dunn Russell, his depute at Airdrie, were in attendance for the interview which the committee had agreed to give to them with regard to the application for an allowance for Mr. Russell to make up for deficiency of fees.

Interview with Dr. Brown and Mr. J. Dunn Russell.

Dr. Brown and Mr. Russell were thereupon introduced to the meeting, when the former made a statement in support of a reconsideration of the application which had been dealt with by the committee at their March meeting. Thereafter he replied to questions put to him by members.

Consideration continued till next meeting.

Dr. Brown and Mr. Russell having withdrawn, the meeting agreed to continue consideration of the matter till next meeting.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

HOUSE-LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1911.

ABSTRACT OF OWNERS' CLAIMS FOR REFUND OF OCCUPIERS' COUNTY RATES FOR YEAR 1917-1918, AS ALLOWED UNDER SECTION 7 (3).

PARISH.	Number of Claims.	Number of Entries in Claims.	Number of Payments.	Relieved on ground of poverty.	Not Let.	Lost Rents.	Amount of Assessment involved.	Owners Allowance deducted from Claim.	Net Amount to be Refunded.
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Avondale -	45	83	24	13 1 6½	3 13 11	5 13 10	22 9 3½	0 11 7½	21 17 8
Blantyre - -	75	177	42	85 13 7½	0 6 0½	5 19 4½	91 19 0½	2 5 4½	89 13 8
Bothwell - -	154	271	125	115 7 2½	10 13 6	1 19 8	128 0 4½	3 3 8½	124 16 8
Cadder - -	9	41	7	3 9 0	0 19 6½	1 0 3½	5 8 10	0 2 7	5 6 3
Cambuslang -	88	188	34	127 19 6½	2 8 4	19 1 3½	149 9 2	3 12 6	145 16 8
Cambusnethan	87	143	64	7 0 0½	...	...	7 0 0½	0 3 2½	14 2 3
Do. W.	...	...	...	7 7 10½	0 1 4	0 0 3	7 9 5½	0 4 0½	
Carluke - -	80	144	56	46 0 5½	1 11 11	...	47 12 4½	1 3 3½	46 9 1
Carmunnock -	1	1	1	0 15 1½	...	...	0 15 1½	0 0 4½	0 14 9
Carnwath -	8	15	8	5 11 9½	0 18 0	...	6 9 9½	0 3 3½	6 6 6
Dalserf - -	65	131	56	74 8 4½	...	2 9 3½	76 17 8	1 18 1	74 19 7
Dalziel - -	112	226	62	18 6 7½	0 0 2	0 17 3½	19 4 1	0 9 1	18 15 0
Douglas - -	6	13	6	3 15 8½	...	...	3 15 8½	0 1 9½	3 13 11
East Kilbride -	37	38	36	22 13 0	0 13 10	0 4 7	23 11 5	0 11 11	22 19 6
Glasgow - -	1	5	1	0 2 4½	...	...	0 2 4½	0 0 1½	0 2 3
Hamilton - -	1	9	1	0 2 9	0 4 11	0 3 0	0 10 8	0 0 3	0 10 5
Lesmahagow -	35	39	31	15 17 9	0 7 8	...	16 5 5	0 8 4	15 17 1
New Monkland	7	8	7	4 2 2	...	...	4 2 2	0 2 2	4 0 0
Old Monkland -	30	85	19	12 7 9½	3 16 2	0 13 1½	16 17 1	0 8 1	16 9 0
Rutherglen -	3	10	3	0 14 2	...	0 11 11	1 6 1	0 0 8	1 5 5
Shotts - -	32	58	28	21 3 7	3 16 4	0 15 3	25 15 2	0 12 6	25 2 8
Stonehouse -	32	39	30	17 5 4½	...	...	17 5 4½	0 8 10½	16 16 6
TOTALS -	908	1,724	641	603 5 10½	29 11 8	39 9 2	672 6 8½	16 11 10½	655 14 10
Year 1916-17 Totals -				663 8 0½	38 1 8	52 18 0½	754 7 9	18 15 11	735 11 10

ANALYSIS AND COMPARISON WITH LAST YEAR.

	1917-18. £ s. d.	Percentage.	1916-17. £ s. d.	Percentage.
Occupiers relieved on ground of poverty, -	603 5 10½	·91	663 8 0½	·88
Empty property, - - - - - - -	29 11 8	·4	38 1 8	·5
Lost rents, - - - - - - - -	39 9 2	·5	52 18 0½	·7
	672 6 8½	100	754 7 9	100

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4th September, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Barr.	Adam D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William L. Dyer.	William Templeton.
George Fraser.	William B. Thomson.
Robert Lambie.	John Train.
William Love.	

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 7th August, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £71,683 1s. 2d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Lambie and Mr. Mack.

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 31st August, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...			£1,521,983 6 8
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£49,463 0 0		
Loans repaid since last meeting. ...	29,501 14 5		
		19,961 5 7	
		£1,541,944 12 3	
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts.		20,074 7 3	
		£1,562,018 19 6	

The County Fund stands at £69,669 10s. 8d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£45,000 0 0
On Account Current, ...	24,669 10 8
	£69,669 10 8

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt. Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed. Official acknowledgments.

There was laid before the meeting the undernoted requisition by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking:— Middle Ward Water requisitions.

Camps Scheme, dated 30th August, 1918, ... £1,355 19 4

Under reference to minutes of previous meetings, allocating a sum of £495 out of the £1,000 voted by the County Council for the assistance of British Prisoners of War in Germany, to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men, the Clerk reported receipt of, and laid upon the table, letters from Regimental Care Committees, each thanking the County Council for the contributions made in respect of the men specified in the list which accompanied the County Council's remittance. Equivalent Grant.—Prisoners of War Relief.—Letters of thanks from Regimental Care Committees.

The Clerk reported a correspondence he had had with the Ministry of Munitions in respect of the County Assessments for 1917-18, levied on houses at Holytown and Carmyle, standing in the Valuation Roll in name of the Ministry at gross valuations of £144 and £516 respectively. County rates on houses of Ministry of Munitions at Holytown and Carmyle.

The position is that the houses in question had been included in the Valuation Roll by the Lands Valuation Assessor at "part year" Valuations, and that the Ministry had been duly notified of the entries inserted in the Roll, and had taken no exception thereto. The Ministry, however, decline to pay any Owners' Assessments for the Holytown houses, on the ground that none of the houses had been ready for occupation during any part of the rating year, and with regard to the Carmyle houses they offer to pay on a reduced valuation of £354, which they state may be held to be "the proportionate gross rental applicable to the average period of 16 weeks of the rating year during which the 50 houses in question may be said to have been completed." The amount involved for both places, after taking this offer into account, is £26 6s. 8d. Attitude of Ministry.

The Clerk explained that he had pointed out that the Valuation Roll was the sole test of liability, and that he had offered to have the question tested, but that this had been refused, with the intimation that "for rating purposes the Valuation Roll in any event is not binding on the Crown as owner of this property. If, therefore, the offer made is not accepted, it will be withdrawn and the position reported to the Treasury with the view of ascertaining what grant, if any, may in the circumstances be made." Explanation by Clerk.

The meeting, after consideration, held strongly to the view that it was only fair and equitable that the Ministry should contribute to the local rates on the same principle as the private owner, and that, as in a case of the kind under consideration, a private owner would be advised that it was not competent to entertain an appeal against the valuation in the Valuation Roll, the County Council would deprecate any procedure set up by the Ministry against this principle, as being unfair to the general body of ratepayers. It was accordingly agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk, with powers to take such steps as he might think desirable in the interests of the Rating Authorities. Views of committee.

Mileage payments due by Lanarkshire Tramways Company.—Settlement reported.

Under reference to the minutes of this committee, of date 5th June, 1918, refusing to allow the question of excess profits to affect the County Council's claim, based on a declared dividend of 8 per cent., under Sections 16 and 17 of the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and instructing the Clerk to press for payment of the claim in full, it was reported that the Company had now met the claim as rendered, the amount being £1,992 3s. 9d.

Glasgow Sewage Purification Assessment for 1918-19.

There was laid before the meeting letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 30th August, 1918, intimating that the Corporation of Glasgow had resolved to impose a Sewage Assessment of 7d. per £ for the year 1918-19, and that accordingly the same rate would now fall to be imposed within all the Lanarkshire County areas draining into the Glasgow Sewage System.

Housing Conference in Glasgow on 31st July.—Minutes submitted.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 3rd July, 1918, appointing Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., Mr. Fraser, Mr. Thomson, and the Clerk, to represent the County Council at a conference of Local Authorities to be held in the City Chambers, Glasgow, on 31st July, to consider the Government proposals regarding financial assistance to Local Authorities promoting housing schemes, the Clerk laid upon the table a print of the minutes of the conference. (Appendix I.)

Members appointed to represent County Council on deputation from Conference to the Secretary for Scotland and the Local Government Board.

It was reported that the conference had agreed to send a deputation to the Secretary for Scotland and the Local Government Board in support of the resolutions passed by the conference, and the meeting agreed that the same members should represent the County Council on the deputation.

Audit fee. — Letter from County Auditor.

The following letter from the County Auditor was submitted and read:—

"212 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 2nd September, 1918.

"Sir Thomas Munro, K.B.E.,
"County Clerk,
"County Offices,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"You may recollect that my fee as Auditor to the County Council was last reconsidered in 1913, when it was increased to £400, with an allowance of £50 for expenses.

"Since that time there has been a continuous expansion in the amount of work involved, and disregarding the increased cost of performing the audit owing to the conditions produced by the war, I estimate that the additional work would represent an increase of over £100 on my present fee.

"In view of this, I shall be glad if you will ask the Council to reconsider my remuneration.

"Yours faithfully,

"Peter Rintoul."

Increase of £100 recommended.

The meeting, after hearing the Clerk, were of opinion that the case for an increase had been substantiated, and resolved to recommend that £100 be added to the Auditor's fee as reasonable remuneration for the Auditor's increased work, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland being obtained to this resolution, as required by Statute.

Receipt of Equivalent Grant.

The Clerk reported that he had received from Government the Grant (known as the Equivalent Grant) under Section 2 (5) of the Education and Local Taxation (Scotland) Act, 1892, and that it amounted to £11,901 18s. 2d., being £226 13s. 7d., less than last year's Grant.

Application by Clerk of the Peace of the Middle Ward for grant of an allowance for his Airdrie Depute to make up for deficiency in fees.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting and of previous meetings, consideration was resumed of the application by the Clerk of the Peace of the Middle Ward for an allowance for his Airdrie Depute, to make up for deficiency in fees. After a full discussion, in the course of which suggestions were made for surmounting difficulties which had previously presented themselves to the committee, it was unanimously agreed to pay to the Clerk of the Peace a war bonus of 10 per cent. of his salary as an allowance in respect of the increased cost of his assistance not recouped from outside sources. It was left to the County Clerk to advise the Clerk of the Peace of the reasons that had actuated the committee in making its recommendation of the committee's views as to the application of the allowance now made.

Draft estimates, 1918-19.

The Clerk submitted a print of the draft Estimates necessary to meet the requirements of the County Council by way of rating for the current year, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, and he stated that the Estimates, so far as affecting the expenditure of the District Committees, and so far as relating to expenditure on Highways, had been approved of by these committees and by the County Road Board respectively. He submitted also a statement (Appendix II) of the amounts of the estimated assessments proposed to be imposed, as compared with the assessments actually imposed last year.

Explanations by Clerk.

The Clerk made explanations with regard to certain of the accounts, and reported certain modifications in Baillieston Special District Estimates suggested by the District Clerk of the Middle Ward, to which the meeting gave effect.

Estimates and accounts of Housing Schemes to disclose additional particulars in future.

It was also agreed, on the suggestion of Mr. Dyer, that the accounts for the Housing Schemes, and the Estimates, should in future disclose the state of the Capital Account and the total charge on the rates from the inception of the Schemes.

District Committee's estimates to be restricted to their actual requirements in future.

Thereafter, members having drawn attention to the lack of uniformity in the preparation of the District Estimates, and the striking of the rates, and the meeting having been reminded of the obligations imposed by Statute on the County Council in the matter, it was unanimously agreed that the District Committee of the Middle and Lower Wards be asked to limit their Estimates in future, as is done by the Upper Ward District Committee, to their actual requirements, as is provided for in the Regulations made by the County Council for the District Committees, of date 14th May, 1914.

Estimates to be again submitted to next meeting.

It was agreed that, in accordance with the usual practice, the Estimates should be again submitted to the next meeting for any observations that members desire to make.

APPENDIX I.

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES AFTER THE WAR.

MINUTE OF MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN SCOTLAND.

At Glasgow, and within the City Chambers there, *on the 31st July*, 1918.

At a meeting of Representatives of Local Authorities in Scotland interested in the Housing of the Working Classes after the War.

Meeting of Representatives of Local Authorities in Scotland interested in the Housing of the Working Classes after the War.

Present—Bailies Malcolm Stewart and Watson, Judge Rusk, Councillors Fraser and Young, and the Depute Town-Clerk (Mr. Crichton)—*Edinburgh;* Bailie Drummond, and Councillors James Cairns, Morton, James MacDougall, M'Millan, and James Welsh, and the Town-Clerk (Sir John Lindsay), the Master of Works (Mr. Thomas Nisbet), the Medical Officer of Health (Dr. A. K. Chalmers), the Sanitary Inspector (Mr. Peter Fyfe), and the Manager of the City Improvements Department (Mr. W. C. Menzies)—*Glasgow;* Bailie Buist, ex-Bailie Fraser, Messrs. James Thomson (City Engineer) and W. H. Blyth Martin (Town-Clerk)—*Dundee;* Sir James Taggart, K.B.E. (Lord Provost), Councillors Doig and Gray, and Professor Hay, M.D. (Medical Officer)—*Aberdeen;* Judge Mulvey and Councillor M'Gregor—*Airdrie;* Councillor Fullerton and Mr. James Duncan (Burgh Surveyor)—*Ardrossan;* Bailie John S. Stewart, Councillor M'Donald, and Mr. John Young (Burgh Surveyor)—*Ayr;* Councillor the Rev. Canon M'Culloch, D.D.—*Bridge of Allan;* Provost Levelle, Bailie Kirk, and Councillor Agnew—*Coatbridge;* Provost Penman, and Messrs. Duff, Dean of Guild, and Rae (Burgh Surveyor)—*Cowdenbeath;* Police Judge Cornock, Councillor Macdonald, and Mr. George Ross (Burgh Surveyor)—*Clydebank;* Councillor Loney—*Denny and Dunipace;* Master of Works Ward and Mr. Smith (Burgh Surveyor)—*Dumbarton;* Police Judge Norval and Councillor Douglas—*Dunfermline;* Police Judge O'Brien and Councillor Grieve—*Dumfries;* Councillor Malcolm—*Forfar;* Bailie Aitken, Treasurer Gilchrist, and Councillor Smith—*Falkirk;* Bailie M'Callum and Mr. Duthie (Master of Works)—*Gourock;* Councillor Hartley—*Grangemouth;* Councillors Baxter and Lemmon and Messrs. Robert Millar (Burgh Surveyor) and Andrew Nimmo (Town-Clerk)—*Greenock;* Councillor Bryan and Mr. Kirkpatrick (Town-Clerk)—*Hamilton;* Provost Muir, Police Judge Parker, and Councillor Colvin—*Irvine;* Mr. Blackwood (Burgh Surveyor)—*Kilmarnock;* Councillors Wilson and Dickson—*Kinross;* Councillor Wilson and Mr. Little (Burgh Surveyor)—*Kilsyth;* Mr. M'Clement (Sanitary Inspector)—*Lanark;* Bailie Finlayson—*Leith;* ex-Provost Wilson—*Lochgelly;* Provost Maiden—*Monifieth;* Bailie Glover, Councillor Menzies, and Mr. Stewart (for the Burgh Surveyor)—*Paisley;* Bailie Wilkie and Dean of Guild Anderson—*Peebles;* Lord Provost Scott, C.B.E., ex-Bailie Forrest, and ex-Bailie Macpherson—*Perth;* Councillor Steele and Mr. Paton (Town-Clerk)—*Port-Glasgow;* Bailie Ferguson and Mr. Harper (Town-Clerk)—*Renfrew;* Bailie M'Callum and Mr. Inglis (Burgh Surveyor)—*Rutherglen;* Councillor Douglas and Mr. Robertson (Burgh Surveyor)—*Saltcoats;* Councillor Ronald and Mr. Morris (Town-Clerk)—*Stirling;* Provost Dyer, Dean of Guild Farrell, and Mr.

Bennoch (Town-Clerk)—*Stranraer;* Bailie Jamieson and Mr. Reid (Town-Clerk)—*Tillicoultry;* Provost Muir and Bailie Johnston—*Troon;* Bailie Cowie and Councillor Loudon—*Wishaw;* Messrs. John Scott and Cochrane—*Clackmannan County Council;* Captain Burns, Messrs. Dunbar and Wallace—*Dunbartonshire County Council;* Mr. Cruickshanks—*East Lothian County Council;* Mr. Ben Cox—*Fifeshire County Council;* Mr. W. T. Farquhar—*Forfar District Committee of the County Council of Forfar;* Sir Robert King Stewart, Bart., and Mr. M'Ghie (for the County Clerk)—*Lanarkshire County Council;* Messrs. Tonner, Sullivan, Fraser, and Wm. B. Thomson—*Middle Ward District Committee of the County of Lanark;* Messrs. Christie and Train and Mr. M'Callum (District Clerk)—*Lower Ward District Committee of the County of Lanark;* Mr. Pillans—*Upper Ward District Committee of the County of Lanark;* Sir Henry Dundas, Bart., Sir John Don Wauchope, Bart., Messrs. Charles Buchanan and A. T. S. Scott, and Mr. A. G. G. Asher (County Clerk)—*Midlothian County Council;* Mr. James Crombie—*Renfrew County Council;* Messrs. W. Fairweather and Muirhead, Dr. A. Campbell Munro (Medical Officer), Mr. Dow (Surveyor), and Mr. M'Callum (District Clerk)—*Upper Ward of the District Committee of the County of Renfrew.*

Chairman.

Bailie Kennedy, the Senior Magistrate of Glasgow (in the absence from town of the Right Honourable the Lord Provost), welcomed the delegates, and thereafter the chair was taken by Councillor Morton (Glasgow).

Explanation by chairman.

The chairman explained that the meeting had been convened as the result of meetings between representatives from the Corporations of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee, and Dunfermline, and from the District Committee of the Middle Ward of the County of Lanark, when the proposals of the Government with regard to the provision of houses for the working classes after the war had been considered; and that at these meetings draft resolutions had been prepared for submission to this meeting.

Local Authorities not represented but approving.

The Town-Clerk of Glasgow (Sir John Lindsay) intimated that the following Local Authorities had found it impossible to send representatives to the meeting, but that they approved of the draft resolutions, viz. :—The Town Councils of Annan, Hawick, Helensburgh, Kinghorn, Newton Stewart, and Selkirk, and the County Council of Dumfries.

Resolutions submitted and adopted.

Bailie Buist (Dundee), seconded by Councillor James MacDougall (Glasgow), submitted the draft resolutions, and moved their approval, and, after discussion and amendment, the resolutions were adopted by the meeting, as follows :—

"That this conference, recognising the urgency of the housing question, approves generally of the proposal of the Government that Local Authorities should prepare a programme of housing for the working classes, to be carried out as soon after the conclusion of the war as possible, on the footing that financial assistance shall be provided by the State; and while agreeing that there should be a partnership as between the Government and Local Authorities in carrying out housing schemes, respectfully urges the Government to reconsider the terms and conditions relative to the financial assistance to be given by them, as indicated in the circular letter of the Local Government Board for Scotland, of date 18th March, 1918, and to alter or modify the same to the following extent and effect :—

"1. (*a*) That they shall contribute the whole deficit on housing schemes approved within the emergency period, less a proportion not exceeding in any case either 25 per cent. of such deficit or (whichever may be the less in amount) the produce of 1d. per £ on the valuation of the area chargeable, which will be raised from local rates.

(*b*) That said contribution shall be on the basis of the actual annual deficit on the scheme.

(*c*) That the Local Authorities should submit estimates of income and outgoings annually at such date as may be agreed.

(*d*) That the State should contribute in each year, during the emergency period, a sum representing their contribution of the estimated deficit. That within three months after the end of the financial year a settlement shall take place on the basis of the actual deficit for the year.

(*e*) That in the adjustment as between the Government and the Local Authorities when the valuation comes to be made of the houses at the expiry of the emergency period, the Local Authorities' share of the deficit on the scheme shall in no case exceed a sum the interest and sinking fund on which are equal to the produce of 1d. per £ on the rates in the area chargeable as at the date of the valuation. The question of how the sinking fund is to be determined should be settled, *i.e.*, whether by equal instalments or otherwise, and the sinking fund shall be a fixed minimum annual instalment, though Local Authorities may, if they desire, repay in any year a sum in excess of the fixed minimum.

"2. That the Government should find the money for the initial capital expenditure in cases where Local Authorities would prefer that course to be followed.

"3. That the rentals for the houses shall be fixed (and, if necessary, varied from time to time over the emergency period) on the basis of making these comparable with the rentals obtainable for houses of a generally similar character and accommodation in the particular district. Local Tribunals of suitable composition should be set up to fix rentals in the case of difference between the Local Authorities and the Local Government Board.

"4. That the valuation of the houses shall be made at the end of the emergency period, and shall be arrived at on the basis of the rental and condition of the subjects at the time, and that, failing agreement between the Government and the Local Authority, a neutral valuator shall be appointed to determine the valuation.

"5. (*a*) That the emergency period shall be not less than seven years, and shall, as regards any uncompleted scheme approved by the Local Government Board, continue thereafter until the completion of such scheme.

(*b*) Interest shall be paid by the Government on their proportion of the difference between the amount of the loan outstanding and the value of the subjects until that proportion has been paid.

"6. That there should be no density of building fixed in the Government proposal, but that each case should be considered on its merits, regard being had to the recommendations of the Housing Commission.

"7. That it should not be made a condition of State aid that the erection of the houses shall be commenced within two months or other fixed period from the date of the Board's consent to any scheme.

"8. (*a*) That where the houses are erected on land belonging to the Local Authority due credit for the value of the land will be given in arriving at the annual and ultimate contributions to be made by the State.

(*b*) That where the land forming the site of the houses is held by the Local Authority in feu, the capitalised value of the feu-duty shall be taken into account in arriving at the proportion of the outstanding liability to be undertaken by the State.

"9. That State assistance for providing houses for the working classes after the war should not be confined to the erection of new houses on unbuilt-on ground, but should also include the provision of houses by means of reconstruction schemes, and that in such cases special provision should be made as regards density to suit the special circumstances of such schemes.

"10. That the recommendation that payment of purchase money for land should be postponed until after the war should be rescinded."

Resolutions to be forwarded to Secretary for Scotland and thereanent.

On the motion of the Town-Clerk of Glasgow (Sir John Lindsay), seconded by the Town-Clerk of Dundee (Mr. W. H. Blyth Martin), it was agreed that the report of the proceedings of this conference containing the resolutions adopted be sent to the Secretary for Scotland, the Local Government Board, and the Scottish Members of Parliament, and that the Secretary for Scotland be asked to receive when in Edinburgh, jointly with the Local Government Board, a deputation on the subject.

Remit to make arrangements for deputation.

It was remitted to the Town-Clerks of Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Dundee, and the Clerk to the Middle Ward of the County of Lanark to make the necessary arrangements for the deputation, and they were instructed to send a copy of these proceedings to each of the Local Authorities represented at the meeting, with the request that they forthwith appoint one or more representatives to form the deputation, and advise the Town-Clerk of Glasgow of such appointment.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET, 1918-19.

NOTE OF ASSESSMENTS RECOMMENDED TO BE IMPOSED, AS PER BUDGET 1918-19, AND COMPARISON WITH ASSESSMENTS IMPOSED 1917-18, AS PER ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS.

	1918-19.	1917-18.	Increase.	Decrease.
COUNTY—	£	£	£	£
Police, ...	43,689	38,245	5,444	—
Electric Lighting, ...	1,991	2,827	—	836
Other Rates—				
County General, General Purposes, Court-Houses, Registration of Voters, Diseases of Animals, and Lunacy, ...	45,312	43,219	2,093	—
	90,992	84,291	7,537	836
Net Increase, ...			6,701	
UPPER WARD—				
Roads, ...	17,750	17,021	729	—
Public Health.	5,177	5,920	—	743
Water, ...	5,101	5,052	49	—
Drainage, ...	1,049	1,047	2	—
Lighting, ...	145	22	123	—
Scavenging, ...	634	641	—	7
	29,856	29,703	903	750
Net Increase, ...			153	
MIDDLE WARD—				
Roads, ...	47,481	47,476	5	—
Public Health, ...	47,565	36,575	10,990	—
Water, ...	52,659	45,494	7,165	—
Drainage, ...	17,017	16,988	29	—
Lighting, ...	6,093	—	6,093	—
Scavenging, ...	17,317	16,115	1,202	—
	188,132	162,648	25,484	—
Net Increase, ...			25,484	
LOWER WARD—				
Roads, ...	9,250	7,409	1,841	—
Public Health, ...	4,162	3,704	458	—
Water, ...	5,132	5,165	—	33
Drainage, ...	5,252	5,699	—	447
Lighting.	501	539	—	38
Scavenging, ...	1,783	1,550	233	—
	26,080	24,066	2,532	518
Net Increase, ...			2,014	

ABSTRACT.

	Total, 1918-19.	Total, 1917-18.	Increase.	Decrease.	Net Increase.
	£	£	£	£	£
County, ...	90,992	84,291	7,537	836	6,701

	Upper Ward. £	Middle Ward. £	Lower Ward. £					
Roads, ...	17,750	47,481	9,250	74,481	71,906	2,575	—	—
Public Health, ...	5,177	47,565	4,162	56,904	46,199	10,705	—	—
Water, ...	5,101	52,659	5,132	62,892	55,711	7,181	—	—
Drainage, ...	1,049	17,017	5,252	23,318	23,734	—	416	—
Lighting, ...	145	6,093	501	6,739	561	6,178	—	—
Scavenging, ...	634	17,317	1,783	19,734	18,306	1,428	—	—
	29,856	188,132	26,080	244,068	216,417	28,067	416	27,651
		Totals, ...		335,060	300,708	35,604	1,252	34,352

Net increase in amount imposed, 1918-19, £34,352.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd October, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.
William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 4th September, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were, after verbal adjustment, approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting, in all, to £46,470 4s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Lambie and Mr. Mack. Accounts and requisitions.

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...			£1,541,944 12 3
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£39,070 0 0		
Loans taken do. ...	36,530 10 6		
			2,539 9 6
			£1,539,405 2 9
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...			... 35,439 6 6
			£1,574,844 9 3
The County Fund stands at £39,698 13s. 10d. to the Credit made up as follows, viz.:—			
On Deposit Receipt, ...			£25,000 0 0
On Account Current, ...			14,698 13 10
			£39,698 13 10

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Middle Ward Water requisition.

There was laid before the meeting the undernoted requisition by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking:—

Camps Scheme, dated 27th September, 1918, ... £1,854 8 8

Maintenance Rate of Parkhead Boys' Reformatory School increased to £17 per annum.

At the request of the Superintendent of Parkhead Boys' Reformatory, who wrote under date 16th September, 1918, that "the present grant of £14 is, in view of the reigning price of foodstuffs and materials, inadequate to do more than feed and clothe the inmates, and does not permit of any reserve to purchase other necessary commodities such as bedding, blankets, equipment, &c., of which we are presently much in need of," the meeting gave formal approval to the maintenance rate for boys sent to that Institution from the County being further increased to £17 per annum from Whitsunday last.

Expenses of Registration of Voters.—Further communication from the Scottish Office.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 5th June, 1918, containing a circular letter from the Scottish Office, with Treasury Order appended, with regard to the scale of maximum expenditure which may be incurred in respect of registration expenses, the Clerk submitted and read a further communication from the Scottish Office, of date 20th September, 1918, transmitting copy of an Order in the following terms:—

"REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1918.

"REGISTRATION EXPENSES IN SCOTLAND.

"In pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 15 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, we, being two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, hereby authorise the following increase in the scales

of Registration Expenses framed by the Treasury on the 19th day of April, 1918, viz.:—

"An amount not exceeding 1½d. in respect of each absent voter entered on the Register for the Registration Area.

"J. W. Pratt.
"James Parker."

National Kitchens.—Report by Food Control Committee on communication from Director of National Kitchens.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 7th August, 1918, remitting to the Food Control Committee, for report, the communication from the Director of National Kitchens, drawing attention to the powers of the County Council as regards the provision of National Kitchens, and intimating that the Ministry of Food makes a strong appeal to Local Authorities to extend and develop this important branch of the Food Control in their respective districts, the Clerk submitted and read the Food Control Committee's Report, which was in the following terms:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 23rd August, 1918.

"Dear Sir,

"National Kitchens.

"I have now had an opportunity of submitting your letter of 10th current to the Food Control Committee. In the meantime the committee do not think that the circumstances of their area render it expedient to take any action in the direction of establishing National Kitchens. They are, however, keeping the matter before them, and should they ascertain that any necessity or demand for the establishment of a Food Kitchen exists in any locality, they will at once report to the County Council.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"Robert Bryce Walker,
"*Executive Officer.*

Agreed that it was not necessary to take further action meantime.

In view of this Report, it was agreed that it was not necessary to take any further action in the matter meantime.

Lanark Lunacy Assessment for 1918-19.

There was laid upon the table communication from the General Board of Control, of date 25th September, 1918, intimating that an assessment of £29,196 3s. 3d. had been apportioned on the landward part of the County for this year. The Clerk stated that provision therefor had been made in the Estimates.

Application and allocation of Equivalent Grant.

The meeting having proceeded to consider as to the application of the Equivalent Grant, the receipt of which was reported at last meeting, agreed to recommend that the Grant be apportioned as set forth in the following statement, and the Clerk was instructed to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for his approval, in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, to the sums, in so far as

not already authorised by him, being set aside in the manner and for the purposes indicated:—

Contribution to the Funds of the Glasgow Veterinary College (voted 6th March, 1918), ...	£100	0	0
Contribution to the Fund for the provision of extra necessaries and comforts for the Road Construction and Quarrying Companies in France (voted 3rd April, 1918), ...	100	0	0
Contribution to the assistance of British Prisoners of War, to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men (voted 9th May, 1918), ...	1,000	0	0
Contribution towards the expenses of delegates to Annual Congress of Sanitary Association at Stirling (voted 3rd July, 1918), ...	50	0	0
Contribution to the Stanrigg Colliery Disaster Fund (voted 7th August, 1918), ...	500	0	0
Contribution towards assisting in the training of nurses to be employed in the County by the Scottish Branch of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, ...	100	0	0
Contribution towards the funds of the Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, which is affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, ...	50	0	0
Contribution to the funds of Motherwell Public Library, ...	25	0	0
Contribution towards the cost of the provision of Homes or Hostels in Lanarkshire for Disabled Sailors and Soldiers,	1,000	0	0
	£2,925	0	0
Estimated cost of lighting main roads in Lower Ward, 1918-19,	9	15	6

ALLOCATION OF BALANCE.

	Valuation of Districts.					
Upper Ward (for Highways), ...	£403,362				1,768	5	2
Middle Ward (for Public Health),	1,403,221				6,151	8	10
Lower Ward (for Public Health),	241,162	£1,057	4	2			
Less cost of lighting main roads, as above, ...		9	15	6			
					1,047	8	8
	£2,047,745						
Total Grant, ...					£11,901	18	2

Report of Finance Committee.

There was submitted draft Annual Report of this committee to the statutory meeting of the County Council to be held on 10th October, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. The report was approved, and the chairman authorised to sign it on behalf of the committee.

Consideration of Estimates resumed, adjusted, and finally approved.

Consideration of the Estimates having been resumed, the Clerk reported adjustments recommended to be made by the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards. These having been approved, and the Estimates further considered, and the Lighting Rates proposed for East Kilbride and Busby deleted on the motion of Mr. Barr, who explained that it had now been decided not to light these districts this season, the meeting instructed that

the Estimates, as now amended, be laid, with the committee's Report, before the meeting of the County Council on 10th current.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting provisional applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of Capital Works:—

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) £350 for the erection of a Piggery, &c., at Bellshill Slaughter-house and alterations on the Superintendent's House.

(2) £215 for erection of lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting District.

Applications provisionally approved.

The meeting, having considered these applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the Clerk being satisfied that the official applications when lodged are in order, and subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the official applications to that committee for such consent.

Housing deputation to London.—Application of Middle Ward District Committee for adoption of deputation acceded to.

On the application of the District Clerk of the Middle Ward, of date 30th September, 1918, the meeting agreed to recommend that the County Council adopt, under the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland dated 7th September, 1906, a deputation of two appointed by the District Committee to interview, along with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, Wishaw, Airdrie, and Coatbridge, the Ministry of Munitions in London with reference to the restrictive conditions attached to the Treasury approval of the proposed Scheme for the provision of 250 houses in Mid-Lanark.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LOCAL CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON WAR SAVINGS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Local Central Committee on War Savings for the County of Lanark. — 4th September, 1918.

Present—

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

Mr. Christie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Honorary Secretary submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 5th June, 1918, which had already been submitted to and approved of by the County Council at their meeting held on 7th August, 1918, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

It was explained that the meeting had been called to consider the following remit made to the committee by the County Council on 7th August, 1918:— — Remit.

> "On the motion of Mr. Auld, it was remitted to the Local Central Committee on War Savings to consider and report on his proposal that a representation be made in favour of placing the administration of Scottish War Savings in the hands of a popularly-elected Authority, in respect that the movement had now become a national one and would likely continue long after the war."

After a consideration of the position, it was unanimously agreed that the matter be left in the hands of the Clerk, in order that he may make enquiry and any representations on the subject. — Matter left in hands of Clerk.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destruction Works at Cambuslang. — 4th September, 1918.

Present—

ROBERT LAMBIE. — WILLIAM WALKER.
WILLIAM LOVE. — GAVIN A. SHANKS.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.
T. ROSS, Interim Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 12th June, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council at their meeting in August, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

There was submitted report of the Acting Resident Engineer (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. As relative thereto, there were laid upon the table the reports of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., on the examination of the steam boilers and the agreement with Messrs. Pritchett & Gold and Electrical Power Storage Company, Ltd., for the maintenance of the battery. — Report of Acting Resident Engineer.

The estimates for 1918-19, a copy of which had been sent to each member, having been submitted for examination, it was agreed, after discussion, to approve thereof, and to recommend to the County Council that an assessment of 4½d. per £ (2¼d. on owners and 2¼d. on occupiers) be imposed for 1918-19. — Estimates, 1918-19.

Instructions having been asked as to the rate to be charged for current, and information having been submitted as to the state of the undertaking and the charges ruling elsewhere, it was agreed that the continued extra cost of labour and materials necessitated, as from 15th September, the addition of ½d. per unit to the present rate for lighting, thus making the general rate 6d. per unit—this additional ½d. to be added also to the contract rates for lighting, but not to affect the rates for power, which it was agreed should remain as at present, the general rate for power thus continuing at 2¾d. per unit. — Charges for supply of current.

Application by firemen for increase of wages.

There was submitted the following application by the firemen for increase of wages:—

"Cambuslang, 24th August, 1918.

"Mr. Thomas Ross,
"Electricity Works,
"Cambuslang.

"Dear Sir,

"We, the undersigned, beg to present this application for an increase of wages, viz., 10s. per shift. The Glasgow Power Stations are paying £3 0s. 6d. per week of 7 shifts (8 hours), with Sunday off to their junior firemen. As the boilers are all fitted up with mechanical stokers their firemen have no manual labour to do. All boiler foremen at the pits have now got over 10s. 6d. per shift (8 hours), and their work is not as heavy as ours is, because they fire with dross and have less steam pressure to keep up than we have. The usual steam pressure required at pits is under 80 lbs., whereas we have to maintain a steam pressure of over 160 lbs. Taking into consideration the extra work that firing with refuse entails on the firemen, we feel sure that you will grant that we should have a higher wage than stated in the first case, and have, at least, the same rate as colliery boiler firemen have.

"Yours respectfully,

"MATTHEW O'HARA.
"JAMES MILNE."

Increase of 5s. per week granted to all employees.

After a discussion, in the course of which each member in expressing his views, recognised that any increase granted to the firemen would necessitate a similar increase to all other employees, it was agreed that, in view of the scarcity of labour and the wages ruling elsewhere in the district, there was no alternative but to grant an increase, and the amounts were fixed as follows, to take effect as from 30th August:—

All adult employees, ...	5s. 0d. per week.
Boy, ...	2s. 6d. ,,

Result of increases.

The result of the above increases is as follows:—

	Present Wage.	With Increase.
Acting Resident Engineer, ...	£5 0 0	£5 5 0
Shift engineers, ...	3 5 11	3 10 11
Cable jointer, ...	3 5 11	3 10 11
First fireman, ...	3 1 4	3 6 4
Assistant firemen, ...	2 19 1	3 4 1
Labourers, ...	2 15 9	3 0 9
Boy, ...	0 16 0	0 18 6

Coal supply.

The Clerk stated that the contract with Messrs. A. & G. Anderson for the supply of coal to the works having expired, he had asked whether they were prepared to renew the contract, and he submitted and read letter from them, dated 28th August, 1918, stating that, owing to the Orders issued by the Controller of Mines, they could not at present enter into a new contract, but that they would endeavour to continue to keep up supplies according to the requirements of the committee. The meeting considered the reply satisfactory.

Contract rate for mixed purposes.

The Clerk submitted a list of consumers using light and power through the same meter, who have made application to be put on contract rates, and the meeting confirmed the terms proposed in each case, viz.:—

John Todd—for first 300 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 300 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

John Aird—for first 300 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 300 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

John Scott, Brownside Road—for first 200 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 200 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

H. F. Fletcher, 43 Brownside Road—for first 200 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 200 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

Thomas Grant, Barone—for first 270 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 270 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

James Craig, Craigallian—for first 260 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 260 units 2¾d. per unit per annum; and

Richard Ferguson, Afton Villa—for first 200 units 5½d. per unit per annum, over 200 units 2¾d. per unit per annum;

all to be subject to the present increase and any additional charges imposed on consumers from time to time.

Lighting of new streets at Wellshot.

The chairman stated that the lighting of the streets at Wellshot, where the Ministry of Munitions workmen's houses are situated, had been under the consideration of the Cambuslang Lighting Committee, at a meeting held on 2nd September, when it was unanimously agreed to recommend that the scheme should be proceeded with.

Remit to Clerk and Acting Engineer.

It was remitted to the Clerk and Acting Engineer to make further inquiries, and should they be satisfied that the scheme would benefit the undertaking financially, the Clerk was authorised to make the necessary application to the Secretary for Scotland to sanction the capital expenditure.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 4th September, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	William K. Jackson.
William Barr.	William Love.
John Campbell.	James C. Pollok.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Gardner.	
Rev. George Goodfellow.	William Wilson.

Sir Robert King Stewart, Chairman of the Board, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 5th September, 1917, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted a recommendation by the District Committee of the Upper Ward that the following should be declared to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of the Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof:— Addition to List of Highways.

Parish of Douglas.

Road leading from the Corsethill Highway at Braehead House, Douglas, past the Public School to a point in line with the west corner of the south-west staircase in the Parish Church—a distance of 140 yards or thereby.

The meeting, after consideration, resolved to recommend the County Council that the road above mentioned should be declared to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland)

Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of the Roads, Highways, and Bridges, made up under Section 41 thereof.

Reports by District Committee on condition of highways.

Reports by the District Committees on the condition of the highways, made in terms of Section 26 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, were laid upon the table.

Highways estimates.

There were laid before the meeting estimates of the cost of the highways in each of the several districts of the County for the current year, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Board. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to recommend their adoption to the Finance Committee and the County Council as the basis of the necessary rating.

Statement of Grants intimated by Imperial Road Board.

The Clerk submitted a Statement of the Grants intimated by the Imperial Road Board in respect of road improvements, which was as follows:—

Date of Grant. 1918.	UPPER WARD.	Total Estimated Cost.	Amount of Grant.
May 1.	—Surface dressing with "Tarvia" or refined tar various sections of roads (283,053 square yards), described in Statement marked A 5238/G, ...	£2,948	£600
	MIDDLE WARD.		
June 3.	—Various roads—Surface dressing with refined tar various sections of roads (941,949 square yards), described in Statement marked A 5343/G, ...	£11,869	£1,400
June 3.	—Various roads—Surfacing with steel slag coated with refined tar various sections of roads (96,400 square yards), in accordance with Statement marked A 5344/G, ...	11,277	800
		£23,146	£2,200
	LOWER WARD.		
May 16.	—Various main and district roads—Surface dressing with tar various sections of roads (136,722 square yards), described in Statement marked A 5262/G,...	£1,709	£175
May 16.	—Various main and district roads—Surfacing with whinstone coated with tar various sections of roads (11,300 square yards), in accordance with Statement marked A 5263/G, ...	1,316	575
		£3,025	£750

SUMMARY.

Upper Ward, ...	£2,948	£600
Middle Ward, ...	23.146	2,200
Lower Ward, ...	3,025	750
	£29,119	£3,550

East and West Highway.—Mineral workings near Dalserf Station.—Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

There was submitted and read to the meeting the following communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 20th November, 1917.

"Dear Sir,

"East and West Highway.

"Mineral Workings near Dalserf Station.

"As recommended by Counsel, I obtained from Mr. John Gemmell, M.E., a Report upon the operations of Mr. M'Neill Hamilton so far as affecting or likely to affect the highway. The Report shows that, with the object of working out a comparatively small area of splint coal left between the termination of some old workings and the line of a fault, Mr. M'Neill Hamilton recently drove two mines and a system of underground roads of which two pass under the highway, but that, after working out a portion of the coal adjacent to the highway, he had apparently abandoned the work, and one of the mines was found to be effectually closed by falls, while the other was likewise closed to such an extent that a very considerable amount of labour would require to be expended to re-open it. In the circumstances, Mr. Gemmell was of opinion that the proposal to work out this particular area of coal had been abandoned. Nevertheless he admitted the possibility that working might be resumed, and in any case the seam lies so near the surface that the two roads which have been driven under the highway might yet cause subsidence. I submitted Mr. Gemmell's Report to the Highways Committee at their meeting last week, and on their instructions I have written to Mr. M'Neill Hamilton's Agent intimating that it will be necessary to consider as to applying to the Court for interdict in the event of his client deciding to proceed with his operations to the extent of affecting the public rights in the highway, and intimating also that, for any damage which may result to the highway from the operations already carried out and for any damage that may be occasioned to the rights and interests of the County Authorities through the actings of his client, his client will be held responsible. I have also informed him that the County Authorities reserve all their rights and pleas as regards the property in the minerals. I shall let you know what answer, if any, is received from Mr. M'Neill Hamilton's Agent.

"Yours faithfully,
"W. E. WHYTE."

The Clerk having stated that since the receipt of the above communication nothing further had transpired, the matter was left in his hands.

Tar permits.—Letter from Imperial Road Board.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Imperial Road Board, London, dated 22nd July, 1918, intimating that the attention of the Board had been called by the Petroleum Executive to the fact that, in the opinion of that Executive, the regulations and conditions upon which tar permits were issued had been widely disregarded, and that, having regard to this, it would be impossible to allocate the same quantity of tar for road purposes for next year.

The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with the several District Committees on the subject; that he had received assurances from the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees that, so far as these districts were concerned, the regulations and conditions upon which the tar permits were granted had been strictly complied with, and that he had communicated this information to the Imperial Road Board.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. — 11th September, 1918.

Present—

James Cameron.
William Gardner.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
William Wilson.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th May, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, since last meeting, there had been notified 64 cases under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, and that of these 3 were anthrax cases, the particulars of these being as follows:— — Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.

Thankerton Farm, Holytown (Mrs. Margaret Waterston).—The animal affected in this case was a 4-year-old Ayrshire cow-in-calf, and had been eight months on the premises. The cow was getting dairy meal and decorticated cotton meal until fifty-six hours before its death. It is suspected that the artificial meals that were fed to the animal until she was put on the grass two and a-half days before she died contained anthrax spores. There remain on the premises 40 cattle, 4 swine, and 9 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the restrictions which had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 27th July, 1918. — Anthrax

Udstonhead Farm, Strathaven (William Struthers).—The animal affected in this case was a 6-year-old Ayrshire stirk, which was bred on the farm. The

origin of this outbreak is a mystery. Mr. Struthers is a very old man, and says that he has never known anthrax to exist on the farm. The infection nevertheless is likely to exist in the soil. There remain on the premises 60 cattle, 1 swine, and 3 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the restrictions which had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 16th August, 1918.

West Forth Farm, Carnwath (Robert Anderson).—The animal affected in this case was an 18-month-old Ayrshire bull. It had been four days on Tilework Field and four months on West Forth Farm at the grass. The County Veterinary Inspector understands that the outbreak there in 1906 was a serious one, involving several animals, and it is said that pollution of the premises occurred. The bull had only been four days at Clympie when it was found dead. The carcase was burned where it lay. There remain on the premises 13 cattle and 36 sheep. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the restrictions which had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 11th current.

Suspected case of anthrax.

The Clerk reported that a suspected case of anthrax had occurred at Upper Throughburn Farm, Forth (James Morton).

Case of glanders at Stevenston Mains Farm, Holytown.

The Clerk reported to the meeting the circumstances under which the County Veterinary Inspector had applied the mallein test to a 6-year-old black cob gelding at Stevenston Mains Farm, Holytown, belonging to Mr. J. Paterson Waldie, Priorwood, Bolton, Mid-Lothian; that the mare had reacted to the test, and had been slaughtered; and that, in accordance with Article 10 (2) of the Glanders and Farcy Order of 1907, compensation amounting to £25, being one-half value of the mare, had been paid to Mr. Waldie. The meeting approved.

Parasitic mange

The Clerk reported that cases of parasitic mange had occurred at—

Fedderland, Greengairs, Airdrie (Wm. J. Bryers);
Flower Villa, Chapelton (John Hendry);
South Draffan, Kirkmuirhill (Robert Pate); and
East Glentore, Greengairs (Andrew Forgie).

Parasitic mange.—Decision of Court in case against Wm. J. Bryers.

As relative to the case of parasitic mange at Fedderland, Greengairs, the Clerk stated that, on 18th July last, Bryers had been convicted of a contravention of the Parasitic Mange Order, and fined £2 10s.

Parasitic mange. — Further alleged contravention by Robert Pate.

With reference to the case of parasitic mange at South Draffan, Kirkmuirhill, there was submitted Police Information against Robert Pate for further alleged contraventions of the Parasitic Mange Orders of 1911 and 1918, and the County Veterinary Inspector explained the whole circumstances of the case. The meeting being informed that Mr. Pate had since expressed regret for having failed to comply with the County Veterinary Inspector's instructions, agreed to refrain from instituting further proceedings, but instructed the Clerk to write to Mr. Pate informing him that the committee did so on the understanding that he would in future strictly observe the terms of the notices served upon him, and faithfully carry out such orders as may be given to him by the Veterinary Inspector.

There having been submitted Police Information against Andrew Forgie, Easter Glentore, Greengairs, in respect of an alleged contravention of the Parasitic Mange Orders, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that legal proceedings be instituted against the accused, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Parasitic mange. — Alleged contravention by Andrew Forgie.

The Clerk submitted reports regarding suspected cases of parasitic mange at—

Suspected cases of parasitic mange.

Lady Ann, Airdrie (James Smith);
Coatbridge (Robert M'Ara & Sons);
Millburn, Dalserf (Robert Hunter);
Cleughearn Cottage, East Kilbride (Thomas Elvin);
Lairs Farm, Blackwood (Thomas Young); and
Belhaven Park, Wishaw (John Smith).

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Orders, viz.:—

Swine fever infected places.

Mayfield, Newhouse (James Allan);
Parkneuk Cottage, Holytown (Andrew Allan);
Kirkwood Farm, Strathaven (William and Hugh Mair);
Little Earnock Farm, Hamilton (William M'Kechnie);
Rigg Farm, New Monkland (James Gammie, Glasgow Corporation);
56 King Street, Stonehouse (Mrs. Jessie Brown);
Brancumhall Piggery, Calderwood, East Kilbride (Scottish Wholesale Co-operative Society);
Drumbuie, Chapelton (Thomas Lambie);
Westerburn, Carntyne, Shettleston (John Brown);
North Road, Bellshill (William Austin, Limited); and
Craigendmuir, Stepps (Cardowan Live Stock Company, Limited);

and that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the above-mentioned cases, and also in the following case reported to last meeting:—

Lambhill House, Lambhill (Mrs. Grace M'Lean).

As relative to the case of swine fever at Craigendmuir, Stepps, the Clerk submitted Police Information against William Gilmour, Magazine House, Stepps, in respect of an alleged contravention of the Swine Fever Order. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to institute legal proceedings against the accused.

Swine fever.—Alleged contravention.

The Clerk submitted Police Information against James Harvie, Bankfoot, Lesmahagow, in respect of an alleged contravention of the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order of 1915. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to institute legal proceedings against the accused, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

Sheep Dipping Order.—Alleged contravention.

The Clerk reported that he had, along with Mr. John Morton, Whelphill, Crawford, and Mr. Wm. Elliot, Lanark, arranged a meeting of farmers at Lanark on 6th August, at the close of the lamb sales, when Professor Gaiger was present, and delivered a lecture on the proposed sheep diseases investigations; and that a committee had been formed to raise funds in support of the investigations and to supply material for research. He also stated that Mr. Begg had

Sheep diseases investigations.—Meeting of farmers at Lanark addressed by Professor Gaiger.

attended the meeting, and he submitted a letter from the Secretary to the Glasgow Veterinary College thanking this committee for the action which they had taken in the matter.

Testing of pit ponies with mallein.—Letter from Under-Secretary of State.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee of 20th February last, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Under-Secretary of State, which was in the following terms:—

"Home Office,
"Whitehall, 16th August, 1918.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Secretary of State to refer to your letter of the 21st March and subsequent interview with Mr. H. Walker, H.M. Inspector of Mines for the Scotland Division, on the subject of the testing for glanders of pit ponies, and to say that, as explained by the Inspector, the Home Office policy, which was settled after consultation with the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Board of Agriculture, has been to urge that the test—which under the provisions of the Act must be applied before the pony is taken underground—should be applied either on the mine premises or on the premises of the veterinary surgeon employed by the mine owner, and preferably at the former provided proper precautions are taken to isolate the animal.

"The Secretary of State has further consulted the Board of Agriculture on the subject, and is again advised that the practice of testing at the mine is best. The risk of infection to the animal, subsequent to the test, which must always exist when the animal is tested away from the mine, is avoided, and there should be no danger to other animals at the mine if the animal tested is effectively isolated. The Secretary of State quite recognises the importance of this latter point, and the Inspectors will be instructed to give special attention to it at their visits.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

"R. R. BANNATYNE."

Letter from County Veterinary Inspector.

The Clerk also submitted a letter from the County Veterinary Inspector on the subject, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, August 23rd, 1918.

"Sir,

"Mallein Testing of Pit Ponies.

"I am obliged to you for a perusal of the Home Office letter of the 16th August to you on the above subject. I note that their considered opinion is that ponies intended for underground work should be tested either (*a*) on the mine premises, or (*b*) on the premises of the veterinary surgeon employed by the owner, and preferably at the former, provided proper precautions are taken to isolate the animal. It cannot be denied that, when considered solely from the point of view of the prevention of disease, and provided adequate attention is given in every case tested on mine premises to the precaution referred to, the decision is unobjectionable.

"But you will recall that (1) when we raised the subject it was on the expediency of owners being compelled to have all ponies tested on the mine premises; and (2) that Mr. Walker, manager of Castlehill Colliery, Douglas,

had declared to me that the Inspector of Mines had specially told him that in future all ponies would have to be tested on the pit premises.

"Their decision to continue to accept the certificate of a veterinary surgeon for a test carried out on his own premises is a concession so considerable that if we had known it was to be given I would not have troubled you in the matter, but I was led to believe there would be no alternative in future to the testing of ponies in the pit premises.

"At the time referred to we had a case in point of a 'doubtful reactor' at the above colliery, which is so remote that the owner's veterinary surgeon had to travel upwards of 13 miles to make his test; and for the two subsequent tests, applied by me, I had to travel 22 miles. The trouble and expense involved were considerable, and I was naturally apprehensive of the future, and doubted the wisdom of the dictum laid down by the Inspector of Mines.

"It will be generally admitted that the mallein test is more likely to be applied and carried through in an efficient way when the subject of it is in a place so convenient to the veterinary surgeon that he is able, with the minimum of trouble, to examine the animal personally at the necessary stated intervals. Nor can it be denied that, when other conditions obtain, some of the observations are liable to be, and often have been, left to a deputy who may or may not be reliable, and the quality of the test is thereby prejudiced, although the whole report is covered by the signature of the veterinary surgeon.

"But we need not pursue the subject further, since the alternative offered by the Home Office almost entirely meets our case, and it may be considered as certain that in future the testing of ponies will be conducted on the premises of the owner's veterinary surgeon, unless in those rare cases in which the premises of the mine to which they are destined are about equally convenient for the veterinary surgeon.

"The subcutaneous test is still 'standard' in this country, and after the initial visit for the inoculation of a pony a minimum of three subsequent visits, at the ninth, twelfth, and fifteenth hour, is necessary, and in doubtful cases further observation is imperative.

"Yours faithfully,

"HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
"*County Veterinary Inspector.*"

The Clerk stated that he had transmitted to the Home Office a copy of Mr. Begg's letter.

Infectious influenza cold prevalent among horses.

There was submitted a letter, dated 9th September, 1918, from the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, stating that Mr. Barrie, of Mossplatt, Carstairs, had called attention to a very infectious and serious influenza cold prevalent among horses at the present time, and inquiring whether this committee could take any steps in the direction of preventing the spread of the disease. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to inquire as to the specific cases referred to by Mr. Barrie, and remitted to the County Veterinary Inspector to make inquiry as to whether the disease existed to any considerable extent in the County, and, if so, to direct the attention of the Board of Agriculture to the matter.

Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Robert Pate, South Draffan Farm, Kirkmuirhill	Parasitic Mange Order—Contravention	Convicted and fined £10, or 30 days
John Sutherland, Oil Merchant, 98 Brandon Street, Motherwell	Parasitic Mange Order—Contravention	Pled guilty and fined £1.
Robert Allan, Clay Miner, 1 Brickwork Rows, Gartcosh	Wilds Birds' Order—Contravention	Pled guilty and fined £1.

Wart Disease of Potatoes Order.—Alleged contraventions.

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 6th September, 1918, from Mr. Begg, stating that he had inspected the various premises placed under restriction in accordance with the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, and giving information relating to offences committed by the occupiers of certain restricted premises, in respect that they had planted, without the necessary licence, potatoes, or had allowed potatoes to grow on the premises occupied by them, contrary to the terms of the notice served upon them. The meeting agreed to delay further consideration of the matter, and meantime instructed the Clerk to write to the offenders for an explanation of their failure to observe the provisions of the Order.

Vaccination of herds for prevention of abortion. — Report by County Veterinary Inspector.

There was submitted the following report by the County Veterinary Inspector regarding the vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, September 2nd, 1918.

"Sir Thomas Munro, K.B.E.,
"County Clerk.

"Sir,

"Contagious Abortion.—Vaccination of Herds.

"Report No. (5).

"I have to submit the following further statistics *re* the vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion:—

"New applications, 6; total to date, 58.

"New herds treated, 6; total to date, 58.

"Number of animals immunised up to and including August 31st, 1918:—

Upper Ward, ...	553 animals.
Middle Ward, ...	677 ,,
Lower Ward, ...	43 ,,
	1,253 ,,

"HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
"*County Veterinary Inspector.*"

Rats Orders.

There were laid before the meeting copies of (1) the Rats Order, 1918, dated 28th August, 1918, made by the Food Controller under the Defence of the Realm Regulations; and (2) the Local Authorities (Rats) (Scotland) Order, 1918, made by the Secretary for Scotland, the terms of which the Clerk explained to the meeting.

Nomination of Mr. Begg by Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons as a member of a Special Tribunal.

The Clerk having reported that, at a recent meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, Mr. Begg had been nominated as one of the members of a Special Tribunal set up to deal with all applications for the grant, renewal, or review of certificates of exemption to or held by duly qualified Veterinary Surgeons, the meeting consented to Mr. Begg accepting the appointment.

Recommendation that Mr. Robert Tatlock Thomson be appointed Joint Official Analyst for County under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

There having been submitted a letter, dated 12th August, 1918, from Mr. R. R. Tatlock, recommending the appointment of Mr. Robert Tatlock Thomson as Joint Official Analyst for the County, under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, the meeting unanimously agreed to recommend to the County Council that Mr. Thomson be appointed.

Case of rabies in a dog at Plymouth.

The Clerk submitted a communication, dated 9th September, 1918, intimating that a case of rabies had occurred at Plymouth, and the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries had made an Order prohibiting the movement of dogs out of the Counties of Devon and Cornwall.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 11th September, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Gilbert Hamilton.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
Adam D. Mack.
Gavin A. Shanks.
David Thomson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th May, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the County Medical Officer on the subject of staffing arrangements, which was as follows:— — Staffing arrangements.—Letter from County Medical Officer.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 5th September, 1918.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Staffing Arrangements.

"In connection with the Schemes of Maternity Service and Child Welfare the District Committees have submitted to the Local Government Board for approval the Board, in their observations and suggestions, have recommended that another Medical Officer for this work should be appointed, as the enclosed extract from the Board's letter to the Middle Ward District Clerk shows.

"As there has been considerable difficulty in carrying out the schemes as presently organised, I would be glad if the committee would agree with

the Board's suggestion, and would allow me to obtain such services by appointing another assistant.

"Dr. Scroggie the Senior Assistant, is still in Salonica, and, although he has had about twenty attacks of malaria, is anxious to carry on.

"Dr. Richard, who assisted in the Lower Ward, has been invalided from Salonica with dysentery, but I have no immediate prospect of his being released from military duties.

"As the Local Government Board are urging the District Committees to undertake the developments of Child Welfare work further medical assistance is urgently required.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

Mr. Love moved that an additional Medical Officer in connection with the Maternity Service and Child Welfare Schemes be not appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Briggs.

Mr. Fraser moved that the County Medical Officer be authorised to engage the services of an additional Assistant Medical Officer, as suggested in his letter, at such salary as Dr. Wilson might consider reasonable, which was seconded by Mr. David Thomson.

On a vote being taken, by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Fraser's motion, which the chairman accordingly declared carried.

Staff salaries.—Communication from County Medical Officer.

There was also submitted and read the following communication from the County Medical Officer, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 9th September, 1918.

"DEAR SIR THOMAS,

"I desire the Public Health Committee to seriously consider the remuneration paid to Mr. Frank M'Arthur, who has for some time been carrying on the entire work under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, &c., and who supervises the work done under the Food and Drugs Acts and the Shops Acts entrusted to the two lady Inspectors.

"When the subject of his salary was last before the Public Health Committee, at a meeting held on 20th June, 1917, the committee increased his salary from £150 to £175, but in times like these I consider that his salary is totally inadequate. Mr. M'Arthur has been in the service of the County Council for over nineteen years, and his services have been most valuable. I do hope, therefore, that the committee will see their way to give him a substantial increase—not less than £50.

"With regard to the two lady Inspectors under the Food and Drugs Acts, &c. (whose services have been of a most satisfactory character), I have to strongly recommend that their salaries be increased by £20 each.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON,
"*County Medical Officer.*"

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the salary of Inspector Frank M'Arthur be increased from £175 to £225 per annum, the increase to take effect as from 15th current.

The committee also agreed—

(1) that the salary of Mrs. M'Arthur, Food and Drugs Inspector, be increased from £100 to £120 per annum; and

(2) that the salary of Mrs. Walker, Food and Drugs Inspector, be increased from £80 to £100 per annum;

—the increase in each case to take effect as from 15th current.

Milk supply.—Letter from Executive Officer of Food Control Committee for the County.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the Executive Officer of the Food Control Committee for the County, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 21st August, 1918.

"DEAR SIR

"At the meeting of the Food Control Committee, held on Monday last, the question of the quality of milk presently being supplied in various districts in the County, and more particularly in the Harthill District, was raised.

"It appeared to be the opinion of the members present that the quality of milk supplied throughout the County generally had of late deteriorated, and that one of the contributing causes to this state of affairs was the inadequacy of the punishment imposed upon offenders convicted of selling adulterated milk. The question of punishment is, of course, one for the Criminal Authorities, but it appeared to my committee that something might be done to deter the commission of offences if greater publicity were given to convictions. At present, not only does an offender frequently get off with a small pecuniary penalty, but he is even saved from the ignominy of public exposure by no notice of the offence appearing in the newspapers.

"In connection with offences against the Food Controller's Orders, the policy has been adopted of publishing posters with particulars of convictions much in the same way as is done in Scotland in connection with convictions of persons accused of defrauding Railway Companies.

"My committee have asked me to draw the attention of the County Council to the matter, and to suggest that they might consider whether it would not serve a good purpose if posters containing particulars of convictions of persons found guilty of adulterating milk and other foodstuffs were periodically exhibited in the localities where the offences took place.

"For the information of the County Council, I enclose one or two copies of a sample poster issued by the Ministry of Food.

"I am,
"Yours faithfully,
"ROBERT BRYCE WALKER,
"*Executive Officer.*"

The Clerk submitted to the meeting information as to the practice followed by Railway Companies in the matter of the publication of convictions in connection with railway offences, and he also explained the attitude which the County Council had hitherto adopted in regard to the publication of convictions obtained as a result of proceedings instructed by them.

The meeting, after discussion, did not see their way to recommend the Council to do more than was done under the existing practice to give publicity to convictions. The meeting at the same time expressed the opinion that as the

the poster which accompanied the above letter did not contain the names and addresses of the persons convicted, publication of the information in the form suggested would not attain the object which the Food Control Committee had in view.

Food and drugs.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
John Munro, Hareshaw, Cleland	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 30 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £8.
Mrs. Helen Scott, Swinstie Farm, Cleland	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 11 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £3 or 20 days.
Samuel Park, 161 Glasgow Road, Blantyre	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 6 per cent.	Convicted and fined £3 or 20 days.
Mark M. Brotherton, Langside Farm, Shotts	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 13 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £4 or 20 days.
Do.	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 12 per cent.	
Gavin Leggate, Haughhead Farm, Ferniegair	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 12 per cent.	Convicted and fined £5.
William Rae, Raploch Cottage, Station Road, Blantyre	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 27 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £4 or 20 days.
Archibald Colquhoun, Thorntree Dairy, Green Street, Bothwell	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 16 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £5 or 20 days.
Mrs. Elizabeth Provan, Craighead Farm, Blantyre	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 7 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £5.

Pollution of Coal Burn.—Report by County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted and read the following report by the County Medical Officer with regard to the pollution of the Coal Burn, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 9th September, 1918.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Rivers Pollution.

"In reply to your letter of the 7th current, I beg to report that everything possible, as far as inspection is concerned, is being done to keep the Coal Burn in proper order, and that, with regard to two of the collieries draining to this stream, these efforts have met with considerable success. Serious intermittent pollution from Bellfield Colliery, however, is alleged still to occur. Recently, I received two further complaints from farmers as to such pollution. These complaints have been inquired into, and would appear to be substantiated. The matter has, therefore, been again taken up with the owners, and I enclose for your information copy of a letter to-day addressed to Messrs. Barr's manager at Bellfield Colliery. I also beg to return the letter from Mr. Mearns which you sent me.

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON,
"*County Medical Officer.*"

The Clerk was instructed to transmit a copy of the above report to the Secretary of the Farmers' Union for their information.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 25th September, 1918.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. — WILLIAM GARDNER.
JOHN CAMPBELL. — ROBERT LAMBIE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.

Attending—

ANDREW MITCHELL, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

In the absence of Mr. Tonner, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 24th April, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. — Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted reports by the Chief Inspector for the months of April, May, June, July, and August, 1918 (Appendices I, II, III, IV, and V), copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. — Reports by Chief Inspector for April, May, June, July, and August.

The meeting having gone over the list of the Inspectors' salaries, the Inspector's Assistants' wages, and the Inspectors' expenses, all as set forth in the Appendices, the same were passed for payment.

There having been submitted applications by Inspectors Chrystal and Paterson for an increase of salary or war bonus, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that the war bonus payable to the Chief Inspector and Inspectors Chrystal and Paterson be increased from £25 to £35 per annum, the increase to take effect as from 15th current. — Increase of war bonus to Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

There was also submitted applications by George Donald, the Chief Inspector's Assistant, and John Reid, Inspector Chrystal's Assistant, for an increase of wages or war bonus. The meeting, after discussion, agreed that the war bonus payable to each of the Assistants (four in number) of the Inspectors of Weights and Measures be increased to 10s. per week, the increase to take effect as from 14th current. — Increase of war bonus to Assistants of Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

The Clerk laid before the meeting communications from the Board of Trade, intimating certain increases in the charges for the adjusting, verification, and stamping of weights, measures, and weighing instruments. — Increase in charges for adjusting, &c., of weights, measures, and weighing instruments.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
3 Hamilton Road,
Cambuslang, 17*th May*, 1918.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

Summary of Inspectors' reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of April (Appendix I).

Testing of weighing machines.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged testing the weighing machines at the collieries, coal depots, &c. 314 visits were paid to pits, coal depots, &c. The weighing machines for determining the wages of the miners were found to be in good working order. The weighbridges at the coal depots were found to be correct, and the weighbridges at Lanark and Strathaven Auction Marts were also found to be accurate and in good working order. The inspections were made in Shotts, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Blantyre, Lesmahagow, Old Monkland, Cadder, Dalzell, Bothwell, and Rutherglen parishes.

Verification work.

During the month 241 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £10 13s. 11d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

Re-verification of weights and measures.

I have to report that six sets of weights, 56 lb. to ½ dr., also six sets of measures, bushel to ¼ gill, belonging to the County of Lanark, have been forwarded to Edinburgh for re-verification by the Board of Trade (Standards Department).

Re-verification of scale beams.

The Inspectors' scale beams are now due for re-verification, and I propose to forward these to the Board, through Messrs. De Grave, Short & Co., to have them re-verified.

Inspector Paterson's assistant on military service.

I have to report that the assistant in No. 3 district left for military service during the month, and that I have employed a young man under military age, to fill the place temporarily.

Statement of Inspectors' salaries, &c.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1918.

VERIFICATION WORK.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	99	6	5	3	76	—	5	76	—	3	1	—
,, 2,	57	—	—	—	56	—	1	56	—	—	—	—
,, 3,	85	—	—	—	41	33	11	37	—	—	—	—
	241	6	5	3	173	33	17	169	—	3	1	—

FEES.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.
No. 1,	2	8	8	0	19	0	3	7	8
,, 2,	0	15	10½	0	8	0	1	3	10½
,, 3,	5	14	9½	0	7	7	6	2	4½
	8	19	4	1	14	7	10	13	11
Received from Burgh of Rutherglen, ...							12	0	0
							22	13	11

INSPECTIONS UNDER THE COAL MINES ACT, 1887.

District.	TESTED.		FOUND CORRECT.		INCORRECT OR REQUIRING ATTENTION.	
	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.
No. 1,	29	12	28	12	1	—
,, 2,	92	66	81	58	11	8
,, 3,	32	41	22	37	10	4
	153	119	131	107	22	12

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th June.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus, 41s. 8d.),	...	£18 15 0		
Inspector Chrystal (,, 41s. 8d.),	...	15 16 8		
Inspector Paterson (,, 41s. 8d.),	...	16 5 0		
			£50	16 8

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 11th May.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus 49s.),	... ...	£12 7 0		
Inspector Chrystal (,, 24s.),	... ...	8 0 0		
Inspector Paterson (,, 14s.),	... ...	3 4 0		
			23	11 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th May.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5 15 3			
Inspector Chrystal, ...	4 5 5			
Inspector Paterson, ...	4 18 3			
			14	18 11

Chief Inspector's Assistant, on Military Service.

Civil Pay (one week), £1 10s. ; *less* Army Pay, 7s., ...			1	3 0

Carting Standard Weights to Pits, &c.

Mrs. James Hamilton, Cambuslang, ...	£4 0 0			
Kerr Brothers, Motherwell, ...	3 13 8			
John Sommerville, Airdrie, ...	3 12 0			
Charles G. Wilson, Coalburn, ...	2 16 0			
John Moore, Overtown, ...	10 1 0			
			24	2 8

Robert Anderson, Printer, Glasgow, ...	1	18	1
Total, ...	£116	10	4

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE,
3 HAMILTON ROAD,
CAMBUSLANG, 17*th June*, 1918.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

Summary of Inspectors' reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of May (Appendix I).

Testing weighing machines at collieries.

During the first half of month the Inspectors were engaged testing the weighing machines at the collieries, coal depots, &c. 98 visits were paid to pits, coal depots, &c. The weighing machines for determining the wages of the miners were found to be in good working order. 96 weighing machines were tested: of that number 8 were found to require slight attention. The inspections were made in Blantyre, Cadder, Old Monkland, New Monkland, Dalzell, Carnwath, and Carluke Parishes.

Verification work.

During the remainder of month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—Cambuslang, Baillieston, Gartcosh, Glenboig, Hamilton (Landward), and Carluke. 2,681 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £35 6s. 0½d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

Fixed weighbridges.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the Caledonian Railway Company, United Collieries, Limited, and the Coltness Iron Company, Limited, Newmains.

Statement of Inspectors' salaries, &c.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

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COUNTY OF LANARK

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st MAY, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	819	61	27	33	605	43	39	605	11	6	2	3
,, 2,	822	71	17	11	687	—	13	687	—	16	—	7
,, 3,	1,040	13	28	26	844	95	11	844	18	14	3	6
	2,681	145	72	70	2,136	138	63	2,136	29	36	5	16

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	6	5	6	4	6	0	10	11	6
,, 2,	6	12	4½	5	11	10½	12	4	3
,, 3,	5	16	0	6	14	3½	12	10	3½
	18	13	10½	16	12	2	35	6	0½

Inspections under the Coal Mines Act, 1887.

District.	Tested.		Found Correct.		Incorrect or Requiring Attention.	
	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.
No. 1,	26	14	24	14	2	—
,, 2,	21	13	19	11	2	2
,, 3,	15	9	13	9	2	—
	62	36	56	34	6	2

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th July.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 41s. 8d.), ...	£18 15 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(„ 41s. 8d.), ...	15 16 8		
Inspector Paterson	(„ 41s. 8d.), ...	15 16 8		
			£50 8 4	

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 15th June.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 70s.), ...	£17 15 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(„ 30s.), ...	10 0 0		
Inspector Paterson	(„ 35s.), ...	7 10 0		
			35 5 0	

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th June.

Chief Inspector, ...		£7 6 6		
Inspector Chrystal, ...		7 8 0½		
Inspector Paterson, ...		10 3 11		
			24 18 5½	
Wm. Pomphrey, Wishaw, ...			6 8 0	
	Total, ...		£116 19 9½	

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE,
3 HAMILTON ROAD,
CAMBUSLANG, *17th July*, 1918.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

Summary of Inspectors' reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of June (Appendix I).

Verification work.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—Cambuslang, Baillieston, Strathaven, Glassford, Chapelton, Forth, Carnwath, and Biggar. 3,997 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £57 13s. 1½d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

Fixed weighbridges.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the North British Railway Company, Shettleston; Caledonian Railway Company, Rutherglen, Garnkirk, and Stepps Road Stations; the Scottish Tube Company, Rutherglen; David Colville & Sons, Dalzell Steel Works, Motherwell; and Coltness Iron Company, Limited, Newmains.

Bread Order.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 457 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops; of that number, 433 were found correct weight, 20 in excess of the weight represented, and 4 slightly deficient in the weight represented.

Tea (Nett Weight) Order.

Under the Tea (Nett Weight) Order, 1917, 23 shops were visited, and 93 packets of tea examined and weighed; 80 packets were found correct weight, and 13 were found in excess of the weight represented.

Verification work at Hamilton.

Under the arrangement with the Town Council of Hamilton, I have been engaged in Hamilton during the last week of month at verification work.

Tables.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped.

Statement of salaries of Inspectors, &c.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1918.

VERIFICATION WORK.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	1,191	63	28	16	988	36	43	988	—	8	4	5
„ 2,	1,468	156	36	21	1,167	4	40	1,167	3	12	6	26
„ 3,	1,338	40	5	55	1,161	26	21	1,161	22	22	2	6
	3,997	259	69	92	3,316	66	104	3,316	25	42	12	37

FEES.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.
No. 1,	9	2	3	9	13	4	18	15	7
„ 2,	9	8	4	9	18	1½	19	6	5½
„ 3,	9	12	11½	9	18	1½	19	11	1
	28	3	6½	29	9	7	57	13	1½

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STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th August, 1918.

Chief Inspector,	(War Bonus, 41s. 8d.), ...	£18 15 0	
Inspector Chrystal,	(„ 41s. 8d.), ...	15 16 8	
Inspector Paterson,	(„ 41s. 8d.), ...	15 16 8	
			£50 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 13th July.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 56s.), ...	£14 4 0	
Inspector Chrystal	(„ 24s.), ...	8 0 0	
Inspector Paterson	(„ 28s.), ...	6 0 0	
			28 4 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th July.

Chief Inspector, ...		£5 9 10	
Inspector Chrystal, ...		6 10 10	
Inspector Paterson, ...		19 0 4	
			31 1 0
William Baxter & Sons, Blantyre, ...			8 0 0
	Total, ...		£117 13 4

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
3 Hamilton Road,
Cambuslang, 20*th August*, 1918.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of July (Appendix I). Summary of Inspectors' Reports.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—Motherwell, Biggar, Abington, Crawford, and Leadhills. 1,011 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £24 16s. 1½d., were paid over to the County Treasurer. Verification work.

Surprise visits were paid to 229 traders in Cambuslang, Carmyle, Chapelhall, Calderbank, Holytown, New Stevenston, Biggar, and Wishaw. 3,492 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were examined: of that number, 3,368 were found correct and 124 slightly incorrect. In 45 shops 136 parcels and packets of goods which were made up or exposed for sale were weighed or measured; of that number, 124 were found correct weight, 1 in excess of the weight represented, and 11 slightly deficient in the weight represented. Surprise visits to traders.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 160 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops; of that number, 149 were found correct weight and 11 were deficient in the weight represented. A baker, whose loaves were deficient in the weight represented, with errors ranging from 1 oz. to 2½ ozs., was reported to the Procurator-Fiscal at Airdrie. At the Sheriff Court, Airdrie, on the 19th ultimo, he pled guilty and was fined 40s. Bread Order.

I have to report having received from the Board of Trade Officers (Standards Department) at Edinburgh, after reverification, 6 sets of weights and 6 sets of measures. Reverification of weights and measures.

Under the Market and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Act, 1887, the weighbridges at the Auction Marts, Biggar and Wishaw, were tested. The weighbridge at Biggar was found to require repairs. The weighbridge at Wishaw was found correct. Weighbridges.

Under the arrangement with the Town Council of Hamilton, I have been engaged in Hamilton, during the first three weeks of month, at verification work. Verification work in Burgh of Hamilton.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the North British Railway Company, Shettleston; Caledonian Railway Company, Carstairs; Clyde Paper Company, Limited, Rutherglen; and William Anderson, Coal Dealer, East Kilbride. Fixed weighbridges.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped. Annexed tables.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II). Statement of Inspectors' salaries.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant.

ANDREW MITCHELL.
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st JULY, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1.	84	—	—	—	58	—	26	58	—	—	—	—
,, 2,	135	—	—	—	129	2	4	129	2	—	—	—
,, 3,	792	29	14	32	671	2	28	671	2	10	2	4
	1,011	29	14	32	858	4	58	858	4	10	2	4

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	32	267	220	13	30	1	1	2
,, 2,	172	2,880	1,698	788	279	40	35	40
,, 3,	25	345	290	25	25	3	1	1
	229	3,492	2,208	826	334	44	37	43

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	6 10 9	0 16 4	7 7 1
,, 2,	4 7 2½	1 10 6½	5 17 9
,, 3,	6 0 9½	5 10 6	11 11 3½
	16 18 9	7 17 4½	24 16 1½

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th September.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 41s. 8d), ...	£18 15 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 41s. 8d), ...	15 16 8		
Inspector Paterson	(,, 41s. 8d), ...	15 16 8		
			£50 8 4	

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 10th August.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 56s.), ...	£14 4 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 24s.), ...	8 0 0		
Inspector Paterson	(,, 28s.), ...	6 0 0		
			28 4 0	

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th August.

Chief Inspector, ...		£5 10 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...		0 16 8½		
Inspector Paterson, ...		4 2 0		
			10 8 8½	
Robert Anderson, Printer, ...			2 10 0	
	Total, ... —		£91 11 0½	

APPENDIX V.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
3 Hamilton Road,
Cambuslang, 17*th September*, 1918.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

Summary of Inspectors' Reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of August (Appendix I).

Verification work.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—East Kilbride, Motherwell, and Larkhall. 854 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitteed for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £23 4s. 10½d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

Surprise visits to traders.

Surprise visits were paid to 624 traders in Eastfield, Gallowflat, Burnside, Motherwell, Greengairs, Longriggend, Plains, Caldercruix, Bellshill, Uddingston, and Bothwell. 10,483 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were examined; of that number, 10,024 were found correct and 459 incorrect.

In 152 shops 383 parcels and packets of goods which were made up or exposed for sale were weighed or measured; of that number, 347 were found correct weight, 5 in excess of the weight represented, and 31 slightly deficient in the weight represented.

Bread Order.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 553 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops; of that number, 501 were found correct weight, 18 in excess of the weight represented, and 34 slightly deficient in the weight represented.

Prosecution.

A dairyman in Bellshill was reported to the Procurator-Fiscal at Hamilton for having in his possession and using a false measure for the sale of milk at Bothwell Haugh. The case is pending.

Fixed weighbridges.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the Caledonian Railway Company; Dalziel Iron and Steel Company, Limited, Motherwell; Shotts Iron Company, Limited, Shotts; and the Tarbrax Oil Company, Limited, Cobbinshaw.

Verification work in Hamilton.

Under the arrangement with the Town Council of Hamilton, I have been engaged in Hamilton, during the first and last week of month, at verification work.

Annexed Tables.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped.

Statement of Inspectors' Salaries.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st AUGUST, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	426	35	6	25	331	—	18	331	—	6	2	3
„ 2,	52	—	—	—	47	—	5	47	—	—	—	—
„ 3,	376	15	2	16	321	12	5	321	5	2	2	1
	854	50	8	41	699	12	28	699	5	8	4	4

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	42	567	431	95	21	12	3	5
„ 2,	582	9,916	6,746	1,627	1,104	185	81	173
	624	10,483	7,177	1,722	1,125	197	84	178

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1, ...	£3 0 1½	£4 0 7½	£7 0 9
„ 2, ...	5 19 7½	0 12 0	6 11 7½
„ 3, ...	4 18 5	4 14 1	9 12 6
	£13 18 2	£9 6 8½	£23 4 10½

25th September, 1918.

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th October.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 41s. 8d.),	£18 15 0	
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 41s. 8d.),	15 16 8	
Inspector Paterson	(,, 41s 8d.),	15 16 8	
			£50 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th September.

Chief Inspector, ...	(War Bonus, 70s.),	£17 15 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	(,, 30s.),	10 0 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	(,, 35s.),	7 10 0	
			35 5 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th September.

Chief Inspector, ...	£7 1 6	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	3 2 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	4 14 1	
		14 17 7
Total, ...		£100 10 11

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-MEETING ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th September, 1918, being a Joint-Meeting of the Committee appointed by the County Council and of representatives appointed by the several District Committees on the subject of Reconstruction after the War. 25th September, 1918.

Present—

As representing the County Council—

William Barr.
W. W. Chapman.
James Cameron.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
William K. Jackson.
John P. Kinghorn.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
John M. Loudon.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
James C. Pollok.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.

As representing the District Committee of the Upper Ward—

Peter MacAuslan.

As representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

William Gardner.
John F. Inglis.
Andrew M'Anulty.

As representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

Walter C. B. Christie.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee.
Hugh Begg, County Veterinary Inspector.

Sir Robert King Stewart in the chair. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at the meeting of the Joint-Committee held on 29th May last, he had communicated with the several District Committees of the County, inviting them to appoint representatives Appointment of representatives by District Committees.

to consider the question of reconstruction after the war, and that he had received intimation of the following appointments by them, viz.:—

Upper Ward—

Peter MacAuslan. Alexander Pillans.
William Wilson.

Middle Ward—

William Gardner. Robert Lambie.
John F. Inglis. Andrew M'Anulty.

Lower Ward—

J. Raeside Auld. Walter C. B. Christie.

Communications submitted.

The Clerk submitted the following communications, copies of which had been sent to each representative, and which he stated formed appendices to the minutes of the Joint-Committee, of date 29th May last, viz.:—

Communication addressed by the Minister of Reconstruction to the Convener of the County, dated 4th February, 1918;

Communication from the Ministry of Reconstruction, dated 19th March, 1918;

Communication from the Rural Transport (Scotland) Committee, dated 1st March, 1918.

Discussion.

The meeting having discussed the question of rural development generally, suggestions were made for the improvement of the highways and for the construction of light railways in certain districts of the County. The Clerk also reminded the meeting of the proposal for the construction of a light railway in the Clyde Valley, which the County Council in 1914 had under consideration, but which, owing to the outbreak of war, was postponed.

Sub-committee appointed.

The meeting, being agreed that the question of rural development was one of great importance and deserved the earnest attention of the County Council, appointed the following sub-committee to further consider and report upon the matter, particularly in connection with the question of road improvements and the construction of light railways, viz.:—

John Adam. Andrew M'Anulty.
James Cameron. Peter MacAuslan.
Walter C. B. Christie. James C. Pollok.
William K. Jackson. Joseph Sullivan.
Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Sir Robert King Stewart to be chairman, and three a quorum.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 2nd October, 1918.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. ADAM D. MACK.
JOHN P. KINGHORN. JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
DAVID THOMSON.

Mr. Thomson was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th May, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted the following applications for exemption under the War Charities Act, viz.:— — War Charities Act.—Applications for exemption.

Bellshill Academy Pupils' Concert Committee.

National Projectile Factory—Sports and Fancy Dress Parade.

Concert and Sale of Work at Newmains—in aid of Red Cross.

Buttonhole Collection in Holytown district—in aid of Red Cross.

Children's Entertainment at Overtown—in aid of Red Cross.

Baby Show, &c., at Newmains—in aid of Red Cross.

Children's Red Cross Day at Quarter.

Lesmahagow Red Cross Week.

Flag Day and Garden Fête at Leadhills—to raise funds for parcels to Prisoners of War in Germany.

Entertainment at Loancroft, Baillieston—in aid of Drumpellier Hospital and the S. and S.F.A.

Soldiers' Recognition Fund (Stonehouse).

Sale in Law district—to raise money for gifts to soldiers in France.

Douglas Surgical Dressings and Appliances Work Party.

Bellshill and Mossend P.S.A. Society.

Red Cross Week at Glenboig.

Walston Parish War Fund.

Larkhall Branch of Scottish Y.W.C.A.

Whist Drive at Carmunnock—in aid of Prisoners of War.

Larkhall Union Street Academy.

Concert at Larkhall—in aid of Red Cross.

Crawford War Work Party.

Amateur Dramatic Performance at Blantyre—in aid of Red Cross.

Whist Drive at Stepps—in aid of Red Cross.

Concert at Carmunnock—in aid of Christmas gifts to soldiers and sailors.

Concert at Uddingston—in aid of soldiers' children.

The meeting, having considered the applications above referred to, agreed to grant exemption in each case.

Cinematograph Act. — Co-operative Hall, Cleland.

The Clerk having reported that, since the date of last meeting, the licence in name of Mr. John Ellis, Station Road, Shotts, in respect of the Co-operative Hall, Main Street, Cleland, had, after the usual inquiries as to the suitability of the applicant, been transferred to Mr. James Pollock, Manager of the Cleland Co-operative Society, Ltd., Cleland, the meeting approved.

Cinematograph Act. — Crown Hall, Strathaven.

The Clerk also reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had received an application from Mr. Thomas Barrie, 19 Southend, Strathaven, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act in respect of the Crown Hall, Lethame Road, Strathaven, which had been previously licensed under the Act; that the premises had been again inspected by Superintendent Taylor, who reported that they complied with the requirements of the Act; and that, after communicating with the chairman of the committee, a licence had been granted. The meeting approved.

Application for permission to open picture houses in Cambuslang on Sundays.

There was submitted a letter from Mrs. Macmillan, St. Mary's, Cambuslang, dated 27th September, 1918, asking permission to open the picture houses in Cambuslang on Sundays, for the purpose of exhibiting cinematograph pictures of a religious or educational character. The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way to accede to the request.

Refreshment By-laws. — Contravention.

The Clerk submitted Police Information against Vincinza Santora or Lombardi, 121 Main Street, Cambuslang, for an alleged contravention of the By-laws regulating Places of Public Refreshment, in respect that she kept her registered premises at 150 Main Street, Cambuslang, open after the prescribed closing hour. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to warn the accused against a repetition of the offence.

Band By-laws.—Special permits.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had granted special permits under the Band By-laws in the following cases, viz. :—

1. Salvation Army Band, Coatbridge (William James Duckett, 24 Corsewall Street, Coatbridge, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

2. Motherwell Burgh Silver Band (John Young, 40 James Street, Ladywell, Motherwell, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

3. Coalburn Brass Band (John Thomson, Fernielea Cottage, Coalburn, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

4. Coltness Works Silver Band (A. Wilson, 33 Lochview, Newmains, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

5. Baillieston Prize Silver Band (James Wotherspoon, 26B Crosshill, Baillieston, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

6. Cambuslang Pipe Band (George Yardley, 112 Whiterock Terrace, Cambuslang, secretary)—applicable for six months within the Cambuslang district.

7. Blantyre Silver Band (Maxwell Sneddon, 11 George Street, Burnbank, secretary)—applicable for six months within the Parish of Blantyre.

8. Shotts Caledonian Pipe Band (Thomas M'Allister, Station Road, Shotts, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

9. Dalziel Highland Pipe Band (T. M. Macfarlane, 29 Draffan Street, Motherwell, secretary)—applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918.

The Clerk laid on the table the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918, and explained that, as a copy of it had just come to hand, he had not had time to issue any explanatory notes on its provisions. He stated, shortly, however, its scope and the organisation it provided for. It fell to the Local Authority (therein defined as a Council of a County or Burgh or any District Committee to which a County Council shall delegate its powers) to appoint a Local Fuel Overseer, and to set up a Local Fuel and Lighting Committee or Committees, upon which certain specified interests must be represented. The Clerk added that, as the Order made no provision for the cost of administration, he had telegraphed to the Scottish Office, asking to be advised on the point; that he had that morning received a telegram stating that a copy of the Secretary for Scotland's Order dealing with the matter had been posted last night: but that it had not yet come to hand.

The meeting, after discussion, deprecated, if it could be avoided, the necessity for setting up further administrative machinery for the specific purpose of the Order, and were unanimously of opinion that, if at all practicable, advantage should be taken of the existing administrative machinery set up for Food Control, for the purpose of working the Order and economising in accommodation, staffing, and administrative conditions generally.

At the request of the meeting the Clerk undertook to consider what arrangements could be made, so far as he and his staff are concerned, to meet the views of the Committee, and to report thereon to the County Council at their statutory meeting on 10th current, by which time he would also be able to report on the financial arrangements for operating the Order.

Numbering of houses erected under Middle Ward and Ministry of Munitions schemes.

The Clerk having stated that representation had been made to him that considerable inconvenience was being experienced on account of the houses erected under the Middle Ward and Ministry of Munitions schemes at the following places not being numbered, and the streets not being lettered, the meeting instructed the Clerk to take the necessary steps to have the work carried out:—

Middle Ward Schemes—

(1) North Road, Bellshill.

(2) Calder Road, Bellshill.

(3) Coronation Road, New Stevenston.

Ministry of Munition Schemes—

(1) Cambuslang, Wellshot.

(2) Carmyle, Tollcross.

(3) Calder Road, Bellshill.

(4) Coronation Road, New Stevenston.

(5) Thankerton, Holytown.

Early Closing of Shops Order.—Continuation.

There was submitted a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, dated 26th September, 1918, transmitting copy of an Order made under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, continuing from 1st October, 1918, until further notice, the Early Closing of Shops (Scotland) (1917-18) Order, 1917.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *2nd December, 1918.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the December Statutory Meeting of the County Council will be held in the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 11th current, at Two o'clock Afternoon.*

It will fall to the Meeting to appoint a Convener of the County, a Vice-Convener (if so resolved), the County Road Board, the County's quota of a Joint-Bridges Committee, the Council's quota of the Lanark District Board of Control, and four members to represent the County on the Committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Duke Street and Barlinnie Prisons).

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancies in—

(1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal; and

(2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

It will fall to the meeting to fill the vacancy in the Licensing Court—District No. 4 (Airdrie), caused by the death of Mr. Thomas Davie.

It will also fall to the meeting to receive and dispose of Minutes of the Finance Committee, and other Committees, copies of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 10th October, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT,
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW,
(Entrance by 40 Wilson Street),

On WEDNESDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1918,

At Two o'Clock Afternoon.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Intimate appointments of Representatives by Burghs.

5. Appoint Convener for year to December, 1919.

6. Appoint, if so resolved, Vice-Convener for year to December, 1919.

7. Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, of date 10th October, 1918.

8. If so resolved, fill the vacancies in :—
   (1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal.
   Petition in favour of the appointment of Mr. Alexander A. Keith, Forth Bank, Lenzie.
   (2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

9. Appoint County Road Board (30).

10. Appoint Quota of Joint-Bridges Committee (5).

11. Appoint Council's Quota of Lanark District Board of Control (12).

12. Appoint Quota of Committee for Visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street) (4).

13. Appoint Council's Quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission (11).

14. Appoint Representatives to County Council's Association.

15. If so resolved, fill the vacancy in Licensing Court District No. 4 (Airdrie) caused by the death of ex-Provost Davie.

16. Nominate Representative of Electricity Undertakers to perform the duties of Local Electricity Supervisor under the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918.

    Submit communication from Clyde Valley Company.

17. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.

18. Report by County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for quarter ending 30th September, 1918.

19. Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for quarter ending 30th September, 1918.

20. Abstract of Valuation of the County for the year 1918-19.

21. House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911—Statement of Occupiers' Rates levied in 1918-19 for public local purposes in Special Districts within which the Act has been adopted.

22. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

    (1) Valuation Committee (Middle Ward), of dates 10th (page 1), 12th (page 2), and 24th September, 1918 (page 3); (Upper Ward), of date 16th September, 1918 (page 4).

    (2) Joint Committee of County Council and Town Council of Biggar regarding Food Control, and the Household Fuel and Lighting Order, of date 16th October, 1918 (page 5).

(3) Food Control Committee, of date 21st October, 1918 (page 13).

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 21st October, 1918 (page 15).

Conference with other Counties and Burghs, of date 26th August, 1918 (page 18).

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of date 21st October, 1918 (page 24).

(*Note.*—The above Minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees are submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(4) Executive Committee, of date 23rd October, 1918 (page 25).

(5) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 23rd October (page 29) and 20th November, 1918 (page 33).

(6) Sub-Committee on Reconstruction, of dates 23rd October (page 37) and 27th November, 1918 (page 38).

(7) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 23rd October, 1918 (page 41).

(8) Finance Committee, of dates 6th November (page 45) and 4th December, 1918 (page 49).

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £500—Cambuslang Electricity Works—Wellshot Lighting Scheme.

(*b*) £250 for lamps and service pipes within Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District.

(9) Public Health Committee, of date 27th November, 1918 (page 71).

23. Continued from last meeting—Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan —"In view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the milk supply in the County of Lanark."

24. If so agreed, grant authority to County Clerk to destroy papers used in connection with last County Council Election.

25. Documents for execution :—

Agreement (in duplicate) between the Commissioners of H.M. Treasury and the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward regarding loan of £600 for Afforestation at Camps.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Offices there, upon Thursday, 10th October, 1918, at Twelve o'clock noon, being the October Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, convened and met as required by Statute, and intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 10th October, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	James Kelly.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
John A. Beattie.	William Love.
James Cameron.	Peter MacAuslan.
John Campbell.	A. D Mack.
W. W. Chapman.	Alexander Pillans.
W. C. B. Christie.	James C. Pollok.
George Fraser.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Gardner.	Joseph Sullivan.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	William Sym.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	William Templeton.
John Jackson.	David Thomson.
William K. Jackson.	William Wilson.

William L. Dyer.

Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., Convener of the County, presiding. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Messrs. John Adam, John P. Kinghorn, and Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart. Apologies for absence.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, in terms of Section 73 2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Notice calling meeting.

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *1st October, 1918.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Statutory October Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Offices, Hamilton, *on Thursday, 10th current, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving

and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof as the case may be, and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1919.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancies in—

(1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal; and

(2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

There will be submitted to the Meeting a Report by the Finance Committee, a print of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

As required by Statute, it will fall to the meeting to appoint a representative on the Clyde Navigation Trust.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

A print of the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council held on 7th August last is sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan, countersigned by Mr. Owen Coyle:—"In view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the Milk Supply in the County of Lanark."

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the General Meeting of the Council, held on 7th August, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Vacancies in the Council.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of filling up the following vacancies in the Council, viz.:—

(1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal; and

(2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay,

the Clerk laid before the meeting a petition signed by a number of electors in the Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, nominating Mr. Alexander A. Keith, Forth Bank, Lenzie, to fill the vacancy.

The meeting, however, after discussion, agreed to delay filling up both vacancies referred to until the next meeting of the Council.

Appointment of representative to Clyde Navigation Trust.

The meeting re-appointed Mr. John Jackson to be one of the Council's representatives on the Clyde Navigation Trust.

There was laid before the meeting a report of the Finance Committee, together with the estimates therein referred to (Appendix), which report and estimates had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. Report of Finance Committee and Estimates.

The meeting, in accordance with the Report of the Finance Committee, after explanations by the Convener of the County, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Clerk, and subject to the consent of the Local Government Board where the statutory limit of assessment has been exceeded, assessed and do hereby assess, in virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 to 1908, the Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Act, 1907, and of the several other Acts hereinafter referred to and for the purposes thereof, the following rates and assessments upon the lands and heritages in the County, and in the several districts and divisions and parishes thereof, and in the respective Special Water Supply Districts, Special Drainage Districts, Special Lighting Districts, and Special Scavenging Districts, all hereinafter mentioned, and upon all lands and heritages within the limits of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1917, and also upon all lands and heritages liable to be assessed to the Sewage Purification Assessment under and in virtue of the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, the Glasgow Corporation Act 1909, the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, the Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension) Order, 1910, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1910, and the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order 1906, all as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1906, according to the yearly value of such lands and heritages as the same is established by the Valuation Roll for the year from 15th May, 1918, to 15th May, 1919, made up under the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 17 and 18 Vict., cap. 91, and amending Acts, but subject always in the case of assessments leviable on occupiers of "agricultural lands and heritages," to the provisions of the Agricultural Rates, &c., (Scotland) Act, 1896, 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 37; the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1901, 1 Edw. VII., cap. 13; the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1905, 5 Edw. VII., and the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1918: that is to say:—

I.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 72, intituled "An Act to render more effectual the POLICE in Counties and Burghs in Scotland," and other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been from time to time divided in terms thereof, as follows:— Police Assessment.

(1) In the HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of fourpence and ninety-one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. Hamilton District.

(2) In the MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of threepence and ninety-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. Motherwell District.

(3) In the LANARK POLICE DISTRICT, including the Burgh of Lanark, at the rate of fourpence and twenty-two one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. Lanark District.

(4) In the AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of fivepence and seventy-seven one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. Airdrie District.

(5) In the LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of fivepence and seventy-four one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. Lower Ward District.

County General Assessment.

II.—Under and for the purposes of the County General Assessment (Scotland) Act, 1868, the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and the Sheriff Court Houses (Scotland) Acts, 1860 to 1884, and any other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been divided for the purposes of these Acts, as follows, viz.:—

(1) In that district of the County which formed part of the Northern Prison District under the Prisons (Scotland) Administration Acts (Lanarkshire) Amendment Act, 1868, at the rate of sixty-seven one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(2) In that district of the County which formed part of the Southern Prison District under the Act last-mentioned, at the rate of fifty-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(3) In the Airdrie Sheriff Court District of the Middle Ward of the County as defined in Section 22 of the Sheriff Court Houses Act, 1860, at the rate of twenty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

In the Hamilton Sheriff Court District of the Middle Ward of the County, as defined in Section 22 of the Sheriff Court Houses Act, 1860, at the rate of four one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(4) In the Upper Ward Sheriff Court District, as defined in Section 22 of the Sheriff Court Houses Act, 1860, at the rate of forty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Representation of the People Act.

III.—Under and for the purposes of the Represention of the People Act, 1918, at the rate of fifty-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County.

Diseases of Animals Acts.

IV.—Under and for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Acts, at the rate of eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, including the Police Burghs and the Burghs of Lanark and Coatbridge—one-half thereof payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages.

Lunacy and Mental Deficiency Rate.

V.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 71 and 3 and 4 Geo. 5, cap. 38, and other relative Acts, and that in the district after-mentioned, as follows:—

Lanark District.

In the Lanark Lunacy District, that is in the whole County, with the exception of that part of the Parish of Glasgow situated in the County, at the rate of threepence and three one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

And which several rates hereby imposed so far as the same were leviable by the Commissioners of Supply at the passing of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in respect of any branch of expenditure, and payable by owners only without relief to the extent of one-half against the occupiers, shall be payable as follows, that is to say, the average rate as ascertained and determined in the manner in the said last-mentioned Act provided, and as the amount thereof in the case of the County and of the several districts and divisions thereof, and as regards the several rates, is recorded in the Sheriff Court Books of the County, of date the 15th day of August, 1890, and in the minutes of the Council, of date the 21st day of October, 1890, is and shall be paid by the owners of such lands and heritages only, and where the amount which is required, and which is hereby assessed, exceeds such average rate, the portion of the rate beyond and in excess of such average rate shall be payable by owners and occupiers equally.

VI.—A General Purposes Rate, under and by virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, at the rate of eighty-eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages, and an additional assessment of two one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, under and by virtue of the Shops Act, 1912, and the National Registration Act, 1915, upon all lands and heritages in the County, excluding Police Burghs, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages, and an additional assessment of four one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, under and by virtue of the Children Act, 1908, upon all lands and heritages in the County, excluding Police Burghs, with the exception of the Burgh of Biggar, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. General Purposes.

VII.—Under and for the purposes of the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and (1) the following Electric Lighting Orders, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1906, viz., the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order, 1906; and (2) the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Orders, 1903 and 1910, as confirmed respectively by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, and the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1910:— Electric Lighting Orders.

(1) Within the Special Lighting District of Bellshill, as constituted at the commencement of the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Within the Special Lighting District of Blantyre, as constituted at the commencement of the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of twenty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Within the Special Lighting District of Bothwell, as constituted at the commencement of the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound:

Within the Special Lighting District of Uddingston, as constituted at the commencement of the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound: and

(2) Within the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang, as constituted at the commencement of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension) Order, 1910, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

each of the above several rates being levied as part of the General Purposes Rate before referred to, and imposed one-half upon the owners, and the other half upon the occupiers of all lands and heritages within the said respective special lighting districts, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

VIII.—Under and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, as follows:— Roads and Bridges.

1. For the maintenance and management of Highways in the several districts into which the County is divided by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as follows:— Maintenance.

(*a*) In the District of the Upper Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burgh of Biggar, at the rate of one shilling in the pound, one-half thereof payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district; Upper Ward.

Middle Ward.

(*b*) In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burghs of Motherwell and Wishaw, at the rate of eightpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district; and

Lower Ward.

(*c*) In the District of the Lower Ward of the County at the rate of tenpence in the pound, one-half thereof payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district.

Public Health Acts.

IX.—Under and for the purposes of THE PUBLIC HEALTH (SCOTLAND) ACTS, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

In the District of the Upper Ward of the County—

1. For purposes of Public Health at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

Special Districts.

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes thereof:—

(1) *Blackwood Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixpence in the pound;

(2) *Braidwood Special Water District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(3) *Carluke Special Water District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound

(4) *Carluke Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(5) *Carnwath Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(6) *Carnwath Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixpence in the pound;

(7) *Carstairs Special Water District*, at the rate of two shillings in the pound;

(8) *Crawford Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and eightpence in the pound;

(9) *Crosslaw Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(10) *Douglas Special Water District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(11) *Douglas Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(12) *Forth Special Water District*, at the rate of two shillings and ninepence in the pound;

(13) *Kirkfieldbank Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Law Special Water District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(15) *Law Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(16) *Lesmahagow Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(17) *Lesmahagow Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(18) *Ponfeigh Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(19) *Roberton Special Water District*, at the rate of two shillings in the pound;

(20) *Symington Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound:

(21) *Thankerton Special Water District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound:

(22) *Thankerton Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound:

one-half of each of the above several rates being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value thereof.

In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, as follows:— Middle Ward (Public Health).

1. For the purposes of Public Health, at the rate of eightpence and sixty one hundredth and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

2. For the purposes of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1917 (55 and 56 Vict., cap. 169; 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 68; 62 and 63 Vict., cap. 70; 2 Edw. VII., cap. 250; 8 Edw. VII., cap. 119; 3 Geo. V., cap. 160); and 7 and 8 Geo. V., cap. 10)— Middle Ward Water.

(a) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply as defined by these Acts, at the rate of threepence in the pound (being the Public Water Rate), one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all such lands and heritages. Public Water Rate.

(b) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply, as defined by these Acts, at the rate of one shilling and fourpence in the pound (being the Domestic Water Rate), one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all such lands and heritages, subject to the variations provided by the statute. Domestic Water Rate.

3. In the following Special Drainage Districts of the Middle Ward District of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows:— Special Drainage Districts.

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(2) *Baillieston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(3) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(4) *Blantyre Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Busby Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and one penny in the pound;

(7) *Cambuslang Special Drainage District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(8) *Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *Chapelhall Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and one penny in the pound;

(10) *Cleland and Omoa Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(11) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(12) *East Kilbride Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and fivepence in the pound;

(13) *Hamilton Road Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Holytown and New Stevenston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(15) *Larkhall Special Drainage District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(16) *Mount Vernon Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(17) *Newmains Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(18) *Newton and Flemington Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(19) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(20) *Stonehouse Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(21) *Strathaven Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and a penny in the pound;

(22) *Uddingston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

one-half of each of the above several rates being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

Lower Ward District.

In the District of the Lower Ward of the County—

Public Health

1. For purposes of Public Health, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said district, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

Special Water and Drainage Districts

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows:—

(1) *Cadder Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(2) *South Lenzie Special Water District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(3) *Barony Special Drainage District*, for the purposes of sewage purification to be levied in that portion of the District outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification area, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(4) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(5) *Carmunnock Special Drainage District*, at the rate of two shillings in the pound;

(6) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and eightpence in the pound;

(7) *Rutherglen Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *South Lenzie Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(9) *Stepps Special Drainage District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound:

one-half of the rate in the case of each of these districts being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages within the same respectively.

Sewage Purification Assessment. — Lower Ward.

3. A Sewage Purification Assessment of sevenpence in the pound in the Parishes of Glasgow and Rutherglen, upon all lands and heritages within the areas defined by the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, and the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, as read along with the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and the Glasgow Corporation Act. 1909, so far as the same are now liable to be rated to the said assessment, which assessment shall be paid one-half by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of the lands and heritages upon which the same is imposed.

Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts.

X.—Under and for the purposes of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1894, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Carluke Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Carluke Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *Carstairs Junction Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(4) *Crossław Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(5) *Douglas Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(6) *Douglas Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(7) *Leadhills Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(8) *Lesmahagow Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Middle Ward

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Middle Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(2) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *Blantyre Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(4) *Bothwell Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Park Special Lighting District*, at the rate of tenpence in the pound;

(6) *Calderbank Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny in the pound;

(7) *Cambuslang Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Cleland and Omoa Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(9) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(10) *Gartlea Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(11) *Glengowan and Caldercruix Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(12) *Hamilton Road Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny in the pound;

(13) *Harthill Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(14) *Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(15) *Larkhall Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(16) *Newarthill Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(17) *North Mount Vernon Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(18) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny in the pound;

(19) *Stonehouse Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny in the pound;

(20) *Strathaven Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(21) *Uddingston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(22) *Baillieston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of elevenpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound:

(23) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of elevenpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(24) *Blantyre Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(25) *Bothwell Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(26) *Cambuslang Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(27) *Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(28) *Cleland and Omoa Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(29) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(30) *East Kilbride Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(31) *Gartlea Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(32) *Hamilton Road Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(33) *Holytown, New Stevenston and Carfin Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of eightpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(34) *Larkhall Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(35) *Newmains Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(36) *Salsburgh Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(37) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(38) *Strathaven Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(39) *Uddingston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:— Lower Ward.

(1) *Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District*, at the rate of two pence in the pound;

(2) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *Lambhill Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(4) *Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *North Shettleston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(6) *Rutherglen Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *South Lenzie Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(9) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(10) *North Shettleston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(11) *Rutherglen Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(12) *South Lenzie Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(13) *Stepps Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound:

which several rates and assessments were and are hereby imposed, one-half upon the owners, and the other half upon the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, according to the annual value thereof in terms of Section 44 (6) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vict., cap. 58), as an addition to and in excess of the Public Health Rate.

Date for payment of rates.

The meeting further resolved that the various rates above imposed shall be payable on or before the *31st December, 1918;* but it was remitted to the Finance Committee with power to postpone this date, and fix any other or others for all or any of the collection districts of the County, should they consider it expedient to do so.

Appeals against Rates.

It was agreed that appeals against the above rates should be lodged with the County Clerk before *26th December, 1918*, with power, however, to the Finance Committee to postpone this date and fix another, or others, as they may see fit.

Appeals against Rates.—Committee appointed.

The meeting appointed the following committees for the hearing of appeals against rates, viz.:—

For the District of the Upper Ward.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Hope Vere.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

Thomas Arnot.
John A. Beattie.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
John Jackson.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Dr. Robertson.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Captain Watt.
Gilbert Hamilton.
A. D. Mack.
David Thomson.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
John Train.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John P. Kinghorn.

The Convener and Vice-Convener to be members of each of the above Committees.

Rates upon Railways, &c.

The meeting agreed that, as formerly, it should be an understanding and condition of the appointments of the Collectors of County Rates that all the rates assessed by the Council upon such railways, canals, and tramways, and gas and water works, as are valued by the Assessor of Railways, should be levied and collected by the County Clerk, and this the County Clerk was and is hereby instructed and authorised to do.

The meeting, having proceeded to the appointment of collectors of consolidated rates, appointed the following persons to be collectors of rates for the current year, viz.:— Appointment of Collectors of Consolidated Rates.

(1) James A. Russell, National Bank of Scotland, Limited, Airdrie.
(2) W. B. Pairman, National Bank of Scotland, Limited, Biggar.
(3) Thomas Tennent, 166 Buchanan Street, Glasgow.
(4) W. D. Loudon, Masonic Buildings, 106 Cadzow Street, Hamilton.
(5) A. W. Paterson, 5 Hope Street, Lanark.
(6) Robert M'Cowan, Public Hall Buildings, Strathaven.
(7) Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk and Treasurer, County Offices, Beckford Street, Hamilton.

It was agreed that the ratepayers should have the privilege of making payment at any of the above offices, and that the County Clerk be appointed to receive and deal with all communications with reference to assessments.

The meeting further agreed to remit to the Finance Committee to fix the remuneration of the several collectors above mentioned, so far as these collectors fall to be paid by commission. Remit to Finance Committee to fix remuneration of Collectors.

The meeting also agreed to remit to the Finance Committee to enforce the regulations for the collection of rates, and to make such amendments thereon, or such additional regulations as may be required for the due collection of the rates, and with power to supersede any collector failing in the performance of his duty, and to fill up any vacancies in the collectorship, and to make any additions to the collectors employed, and to regulate the districts; and it was further agreed that power be also given to the Finance Committee to inquire into the nature of the arrears outstanding, strike off such as they may think irrecoverable, enforce recovery of the remainder, and otherwise deal with the same as they may think advisable. Regulations for Collectors.

There were laid before the meeting reports by the several District Committees for the year 1917-18, the reports in each case being contained in the minutes of the District Committees. Reports by District Committees.

The following minutes of committees, and of the County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:— Minutes of Committees, &c.

(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 8th July and 19th August, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar, of date 8th July, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 8th July and 19th August, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of date 19th August, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Bread and Flour, of date 19th August, 1918.

(The above minutes of the Food Control Committees and Sub-Committees were submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(2) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 7th August and 4th September, 1918.

(3) Finance Committee, of dates 7th August, 4th September, and 2nd October, 1918.

(4) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 4th September, 1918.

(5) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 4th September, 1918.

(6) County Road Board, of date 4th September, 1918.

(7) Executive Committee, of date 11th September, 1918.

(8) Public Health Committee, of date 11th September, 1918.

(9) Weights and Measures Committee, of date 25th September, 1918.

(10) Joint Meeting regarding Reconstruction after the War, of date 25th September, 1918.

(11) General Purposes Committee, of date 2nd October, 1918.

Reconstitution of Food Control Committee.

The Chairman having explained that an Order had been issued by the Food Controller providing for the Reconstitution of Food Control Committees as from 18th November, the meeting agreed to remit the matter to the existing Joint Committee of the County Council and Town Council of Biggar with full powers.

Education Bill. — Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The meeting, on the motion of Mr. Lambie, seconded by Mr. Beattie, remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee to make a representation to the Secretary for Scotland in favour of a guarantee being given that under no circumstances would the contribution from the State funds towards the expenses of Local Education Authorities be less than 50 per cent. of the approved expenditure of these Authorities.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or Vice-Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the applications, viz. :—

(*a*) £350 for erection of a piggery, &c., at Bellshill Slaughter-house and alterations on the Superintendent's house.

(*b*) £215 for erection of lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting District.

Addition to List of Highways.

Under reference to the Minutes of the County Road Board, of date 4th September, 1918, the Clerk submitted evidence of the advertisement and certificates of the posting of notices as required by the Act, together with certificates by the Road Surveyors that the following road recommended to be assumed as a highway was in a condition to be taken over, viz. :—

In the District of the Upper Ward—

Parish of Douglas—

Road leading from the Corsethill Highway at Braehead House, Douglas, past the Public School to a point in line with the west corner of the south-west staircase in the Parish Church—a distance of 140 yards or thereby.

The meeting thereafter unanimously approved of the recommendation of the County Road Board, so far as relating to the road above mentioned, and resolved that the said road be added to the list of roads, highways, and bridges made up in terms of section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918, the provisions of which he explained. The Clerk stated that under the Order it fell to the County Council to appoint a Local Fuel and Lighting Committee and a Local Fuel Overseer, and that the Town Council of Biggar had indicated their desire that the Burgh of Biggar should be included along with the County Landward area for the purposes of the Order. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to remit the matter, with powers, to the Joint Committee of the County Council and Town Council of Biggar appointed in connection with Food Control.

On the motion of Mr. Fraser, the meeting agreed to make a representation against any part of the expenses of the administration of the Order being charged to the County Public Health Rate, it being the opinion of the County Council that the expenses of Coal Rationing should, as in the case of expenses connected with Food Control, be borne entirely by the State.

The meeting thereafter approved of the Minutes of the Committees and the County Road Board above-mentioned.

Motion by Mr. Sullivan regarding quality and high price of milk.

The motion, standing in the name of Mr. Sullivan, that:—"In view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the Milk Supply in the County of Lanark," was, with the consent of the mover, continued for consideration in view of the Food Controller having officially intimated that he would very shortly assume control of the wholesale distribution of milk.

Appointment of Mr. John M'Ghie as Depute County Clerk.

The Convener submitted and read to the meeting a letter which he had received from Sir Thomas Munro, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

Central Station Hotel,
Glasgow, 9th October, 1918.

DEAR SIR ROBERT,

Had I been able to be present at the meeting of the Council to-morrow, I was going to ask the Council to be so good as to appoint Mr. John M'Ghie to be Depute County Clerk, for the purpose of signing cheques, in terms of section 75 1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act. 1889.

Mr. M'Ghie has been in the service of the County Council since its inception, and has, I know, the confidence of the members of the Council. I need hardly add that he has my full confidence, and that I believe his appointment will be welcomed by the other members of the staff.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

THOS. MUNRO.

On the motion of the Convener, seconded by Mr. George Fraser, the meeting, in accordance with the request of Sir Thomas Munro, unanimously agreed to appoint, and hereby appoint, Mr. John M'Ghie to be Depute County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 7th August last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

1. (*a*) Erection of piggery and dungstead, and (*b*) alterations on Superintendent's house at Bellshill Public Slaughter-house—£350.

2. Provision and erection of lamps at Coronation Road and Thankerton housing sites within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District—£215.

WILLIAM LOVE,
WM. L. DYER,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

December, 1918.

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COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL

ON

WEDNESDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1918.

SIR THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk.

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
186	July 3	Lanark County Council,	Larkhall, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
187	,, ,,	Do.,	Quarter, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
188	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
189	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Separated Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
190	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
191	,, 20	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
194	,, 26	Do.,	Wattstown, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
195	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
196	,, ,,	Do.,	Greengairs, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
197	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
198	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
199	,, ,,	Do.,	Whiterigg, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
200	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
201	,, 30	Do.,	Crossford, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
202	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
203	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
204	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
205	,, ,,	Do.,	Kirkfieldbank,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
206	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
207	,, 31	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Compound Lard, ...	Do.,	... ...
208	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Cooking Fat, ...	Do.,	... ...
209	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Lard, ...	Do.,	... ...
210	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Margarine, ...	Do.,	... ...
211	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do,	... ...
212	Aug. 1	Do.,	Overtown, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
213	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
214	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
215	,, ,,	Do.,	Waterloo, ...	Do, ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th SEPTEMBER, 1918.

7.	8.	9.	10.	11.		12.
				Amount of Costs.		
Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations of Analyst.	Were proceedings taken?	Amount of Penalty inflicted.	Charged on Offender.	Charged on Local Authority.	Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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0 10 0	Contained 1 per cent. of Butter Fat.					
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5 Article submitted for Analysis.	6 Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
216	Aug. 1	Lanark County Council.	Waterloo, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
217	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
218	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 31
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... —

9th October, 1918.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs.		12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
				Charged on Offender.	Charged on Local Authority.	
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0 10 0						

31st October, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis.		5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Ob ervations of Analyst.
			Article genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.		
192	July 23	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat, 6 per cent.	£0 10 0	
193	,, ,,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
156	August 5	Cream of Tartar,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
157	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
158	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
220	,, ,,	Dripping, ...	Do..	... ...	0 10 0	
221	,, ,,	Cinnamon, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
222	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
223	,, ,,	Liquorice Powder,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
224	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
225	Sept. 11	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
228	,, 17	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
229	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
230	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
231	,, ,,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 15 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 11 per cent., ...	0 10 0	
232	,, ,,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
233	,, 18	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
234	,, 20	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
235	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
236	,, ,,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 18 per cent.	0 10 0	
237	,, ,,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 16 per cent.	0 10 0	

9th October, 1918.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

31st October, 1918.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland by the

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Number, &c., on Sample.	Name and Address of Vendor (if known).	Name and Address of Purchaser (if any).
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	6th August,	—	Not known,	Not known,

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 30th Sept., 1918.

Whether "Formal" or "Informal" Sample.	REMARKS.
Informal,	Satisfactory.

Summary :—

Fertilisers—Satisfactory, 1.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 15th October, 1918.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

AGRICULTURAL ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 30TH SEPT., 1918,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1918.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1918-1919, AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1917-1918.

COUNTY OF

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1918-1919,

Name of Parish.	1918-19.									1917-18.					
	General Heritages.			Railways, &c.			Total, 1918-1919.			General Heritages.			Railways, &c.		
UPPER WARD.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Biggar (Landward),	9,386	1	0	939	0	0	10,325	1	0	9,413	10	0	953	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh),	7,705	3	0	...			7,705	3	0	7,695	3	0	...		
Carluke,	57,677	17	0	5,685	0	0	63,362	17	0	61,631	15	0	5,309	0	0
Carmichael,	11,532	13	0	1,399	0	0	12,931	13	0	11,934	6	0	1,422	0	0
Carnwath,	37,877	14	0	9,182	0	0	47,059	14	0	37,663	11	0	9,339	0	0
Carstairs,	12,102	8	0	4,314	0	0	16,416	8	0	12,093	8	0	4,360	0	0
Covington,	6,016	0	0	1,695	0	0	7,711	0	0	6,014	0	0	1,725	0	0
Crawford,	20,575	17	0	4,978	0	0	25,553	17	0	20,883	18	0	4,983	0	0
Crawfordjohn,	9,212	6	0	...			9,212	6	0	9,232	15	0	...		
Culter,	13,516	8	0	374	0	0	13,890	8	0	13,157	15	0	380	0	0
Dolphinton,	2,408	8	0	385	0	0	2,793	8	0	2,372	1	0	392	0	0
Douglas,	26,648	17	0	5,580	0	0	32,228	17	0	25,032	0	0	5,676	0	0
Dunsyre,	2,984	0	0	1,677	0	0	4,661	0	0	2,954	0	0	1,706	0	0
Lamington,	12,390	1	0	1,930	0	0	14,320	1	0	12,421	1	0	1,964	0	0
Lanark,	19,908	12	0	3,488	0	0	23,396	12	0	19,931	15	0	3,547	0	0
Lesmahagow,	74,736	4	0	11,591	0	0	86,327	4	0	73,475	7	0	11,760	0	0
Liberton,	8,160	8	0	...			8,160	8	0	8,165	10	0	...		
Pettinain,	3,865	7	0	733	0	0	4,598	7	0	3,885	2	0	745	0	0
Symington,	5,510	18	0	2,089	0	0	7,599	18	0	5,525	5	0	2,123	0	0
Walston,	2,856	15	0	...			2,856	15	0	2,877	8	0	...		
Wiston and Roberton,	7,480	12	0	758	0	0	8,238	12	0	7,542	5	0	771	0	0
Total, Upper Ward,	352,552	9	0	56,797	0	0	409,349	9	0	353,901	15	0	57,155	0	0
MIDDLE WARD.															
Avondale,	60,890	16	0	5,722	0	0	66,612	16	0	58,686	8	0	5,808	0	0
Blantyre,	75,185	7	0	6,569	0	0	81,754	7	0	73,142	6	0	5,927	0	0
Bothwell,	312,755	10	0	35,755	0	0	348,510	10	0	315,243	11	0	31,880	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	2,492	6	0	656	0	0	3,148	6	0	2,149	10	0	525	0	0
Cambuslang,	144,714	12	4	19,813	0	0	164,527	12	4	143,537	13	6	15,012	0	0
Cambusnethan (Landward),	99,047	17	0	11,004	0	0	110,051	17	0	100,075	13	0	10,837	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	82,287	16	0	6,040	0	0	88,327	16	0	80,318	9	0	4,907	0	0
Dalserf,	74,425	0	0	6,462	0	0	80,887	0	0	74,839	7	0	6,094	0	0
Dalziel (Landward),	33,339	17	0	8,954	0	0	42,293	17	0	34,130	10	0	8,538	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	210,867	11	0	29,084	0	0	239,951	11	0	205,074	1	0	23,083	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	14,580	8	0	1,347	0	0	15,927	8	0	14,413	17	0	1,069	0	0
East Kilbride,	46,793	0	0	3,168	0	0	49,961	0	0	45,243	15	0	3,220	0	0
Glasford,	14,849	4	0	292	0	0	15,141	4	0	14,048	1	0	297	0	0
Hamilton,	104,088	19	0	12,340	0	0	116,428	19	0	108,506	2	0	11,336	0	0
New Monkland,	57,558	2	9	16,671	0	0	74,229	2	9	58,228	12	7	16,031	0	0
Old Monkland,	98,565	17	5	24,137	0	0	122,702	17	5	98,188	1	3	23,044	0	0
Shotts,	105,700	2	0	14,288	0	0	119,988	2	0	106,832	3	6	14,210	0	0
Stonehouse,	17,191	17	0	3,236	0	0	20,427	17	0	16,995	12	0	3,289	0	0
Total, Middle Ward,	1,555,334	2	6	205,538	0	0	1,760,872	2	6	1,549,653	12	10	185,107	0	0
LOWER WARD.															
Glasgow (late Barony),	54,055	4	1	17,721	0	0	71,776	4	1	55,377	18	2	17,197	0	0
Cadder,	107,302	0	0	13,988	0	0	121,290	0	0	101,203	6	2	13,524	0	0
Carmunnock,	9,618	0	7	139	0	0	9,757	0	7	9,485	10	9	141	0	0
Rutherglen,	41,914	3	11	7,032	0	0	48,946	3	11	37,450	13	9	6,783	0	0
Total, Lower Ward,	212,889	8	7	38,880	0	0	251,769	8	7	203,517	8	10	37,645	0	0
Total, Whole County,	2,120,776	0	1	301,215	0	0	2,421,991	0	1	2,107,072	16	8	279,907	0	0

LANARK.

AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1917-1918.

Total, 1917-1918.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10,366 10 0	...	...	27 9 0	14 0 0	...	41 9 0
7,695 3 0	10 0 0	...	...	...	10 0 0	...
66,940 15 0	...	376 0 0	3,953 18 0	...	...	3,577 18 0
13,356 6 0	...	...	401 13 0	23 0 0	...	424 13 0
47,002 11 0	214 3 0	...	...	157 0 0	57 3 0	...
16,453 8 0	9 0 0	...	...	46 0 0	...	37 0 0
7,739 0 0	2 0 0	...	...	30 0 0	...	28 0 0
25,866 18 0	...	...	308 1 0	5 0 0	...	313 1 0
9,232 15 0	...	...	20 9 0	...	...	20 9 0
13,537 15 0	358 13 0	...	...	6 0 0	352 13 0	...
2,764 1 0	36 7 0	...	...	7 0 0	29 7 0	...
30,708 0 0	1,616 17 0	...	...	96 0 0	1,520 17 0	...
4,660 0 0	30 0 0	...	...	29 0 0	1 0 0	...
14,385 1 0	...	...	31 0 0	34 0 0	...	65 0 0
23,478 15 0	...	...	23 3 0	59 0 0	...	82 3 0
85,235 7 0	1,260 17 0	...	...	169 0 0	1,091 17 0	...
8,165 10 0	...	...	5 2 0	...	...	5 2 0
4,630 2 0	...	...	19 15 0	12 0 0	...	31 15 0
7,648 5 0	...	...	14 7 0	34 0 0	...	48 7 0
2,877 8 0	...	...	20 13 0	...	...	20 13 0
8,313 5 0	...	...	61 13 0	13 0 0	...	74 13 0
411,056 15 0	3,537 17 0	376 0 0	4,887 3 0	734 0 0	3,062 17 0	4,770 3 0
64,494 8 0	2,204 8 0	...	...	86 0 0	2,118 8 0	...
79,069 6 0	2,043 1 0	642 0 0	...	...	2,685 1 0	...
347,123 11 0	...	3,875 0 0	2,488 1 0	...	1,386 19 0	...
2,674 10 0	342 16 0	131 0 0	...	...	473 16 0	...
158,549 13 6	1,176 18 10	4,801 0 0	...	...	5,977 18 10	...
110,912 13 0	...	167 0 0	1,027 16 0	...	...	860 16 0
85,225 9 0	1,969 7 0	1,133 0 0	...	...	3,102 7 0	...
80,933 7 0	...	368 0 0	414 7 0	...	...	46 7 0
42,668 10 0	...	416 0 0	790 13 0	...	...	374 13 0
228,157 1 0	5,793 10 0	6,001 0 0	...	...	11,794 10 0	...
15,482 17 0	166 11 0	278 0 0	...	...	444 11 0	...
48,463 15 0	1,549 5 0	...	...	52 0 0	1,497 5 0	...
14,345 1 0	801 3 0	...	...	5 0 0	796 3 0	...
119,842 2 0	...	1,004 0 0	4,417 3 0	...	...	3,413 3 0
74,259 12 7	...	640 0 0	670 9 10	...	...	30 9 10
121,232 1 3	377 16 2	1,093 0 0	...	...	1,470 16 2	...
121,042 3 6	...	78 0 0	1,132 1 6	...	...	1,054 1 6
20,284 12 0	196 5 0	...	...	53 0 0	143 5 0	...
1,734,760 12 10	16,621 1 0	20,627 0 0	10,940 11 4	196 0 0	31,891 0 0	5,779 10 4
72,574 18 2	...	524 0 0	1,322 14 1	...	...	798 14 1
114,727 6 2	6,098 13 10	464 0 0	...	...	6,562 13 10	...
9,626 10 9	132 9 10	...	...	2 0 0	130 9 10	...
44,233 13 9	4,463 10 2	249 0 0	...	...	4,712 10 2	...
241,162 8 10	10,694 13 10	1,237 0 0	1,322 14 1	2 0 0	11,405 13 10	798 14 1
2,386,979 16 8	30,853 11 10	22,240 0 0	17,150 8 5	932 0 0	46,359 10 10	11,348 7 5

Name of District.	1918-19.									1917-18.					
	General Heritages.			Railways, &c.			Total, 1918-1919.			General Heritages.			Railways, &c.		
UPPER WARD.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.	£	S.	D.
Landward,	344,847	6	0	56,797	0	0	401,644	6	0	346,206	12	0	57,155	0	0
Police Burgh of Biggar,	7,705	3	0	...			7,705	3	0	7,695	3	0	...		
Total, Upper Ward,	352,552	9	0	56,797	0	0	409,349	9	0	353,901	15	0	57,155	0	0
MIDDLE WARD.															
Landward,	1,245,106	1	6	168,411	0	0	1,413,517	1	6	1,247,697	15	10	155,523	0	0
Police Burghs of Motherwell & Wishaw,	310,228	1	0	37,127	0	0	347,355	1	0	301,955	17	0	29,584	0	0
Total, Middle Ward,	1,555,334	2	6	205,538	0	0	1,760,872	2	6	1,549,653	12	10	185,107	0	0
LOWER WARD.															
Landward,	212,889	8	7	38,880	0	0	251,769	8	7	203,517	8	10	37,645	0	0
GRAND TOTAL.															
Landward,	1,802,842	16	1	264,088	0	0	2,066,930	16	1	1,797,421	16	8	250,323	0	0
Police Burghs,	317,933	4	0	37,127	0	0	355,060	4	0	309,651	0	0	29,584	0	0
Whole County,	2,120,776	0	1	301,215	0	0	2,421,991	0	1	2,107,072	16	8	279,907	0	0

MARY.

Total, 1917-1918.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
403,361 12 0	...	...	1,359 6 0	358 0 0	...	1,717 6 0
7,695 3 0	10 0 0	...	...	...	10 0 0	...
411.056 15 0	10 0 0	...	1,359 6 0	358 0 0	...	1,707 6 0
1,403,220 15 10	...	12,888 0 0	2,591 14 4	...	10,296 5 8	...
331,539 17 0	8,272 4 0	7,543 0 0	...	...	15,815 4 0	...
1,734,760 12 10	8,272 4 0	20,431 0 0	2,591 14 4	...	26,111 9 8	...
241,162 8 10	9.371 19 9	1,235 0 0	...	...	10,606 19 9	...
2,047,744 16 8	5,420 19 5	13,765 0 0	...	...	19,185 19 5	...
339,235 0 0	8,282 4 0	7,543 0 0	...	...	15,825 4 0	...
2,386,979 16 8	13,703 3 5	21,308 0 0	...	...	35,011 3 5	...

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

HOUSE LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1911.

STATEMENT of Occupiers' Rates levied in 1918-19 for public local purposes in the following Special Districts within which the Act has been adopted.

NOTE.—The County Rates are levied on the "gross" rent in the Valuation Roll, that is the actual rent paid by the Occupier. Poor Rates are not levied on the "gross," but on what is known as the "net" rental, that is under deduction from the gross rent of a percentage for insurance, rates, repairs, &c., as authorised by the Poor Law Act. For the purposes of this statement, and in order to secure uniformity and simplicity in calculating the total amount of Occupiers' Assessment payable in respect of a small dwelling-house, the Poor Rate leviable on the net rental has been converted into an equivalent rate based on the gross rental.

UPPER WARD.

Special District.	County Rates.	Parish Rates.	Airdrie, Coatbridge, and District Water Rate, or Glasgow Water Rate.	Total Amount of Rates levied on Gross Rental in Valuation Roll, 1918-19.	Remarks.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
1. **Blackwood**—Water, ...	1 8·50	1 1·50		2 10·00	
2. **Braidwood**—Water, ...	1 2·50	1 2·63		2 5·13	
3. **Carluke**—Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 8·00	1 2·63		2 10·63	
4. Do. Water only, ...	1 2·50	1 2·63		2 5·13	
5. **Carnwath**—Water and Drainage,... ...	2 3·50	1 6·40		3 9·90	Parish of Carnwath
6. Do. Water and Carstairs Junction Scavenging,	1 8·50	1 1·75		2 10·25	Parish of Carstairs
7. **Carstairs**—Water,...	1 11·50	1 1·75		3 1·25	
8. **Crawford**—Water, ...	1 9·50	0 5·28		2 2·78	
9. **Crosslaw** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 3·00	1 3·28		2 6·28	
10. Do. Drainage and Lighting, ...	1 1·50	1 3·28		2 4·78	
11. Do. Drainage only, ...	1 1·50	1 3·28		2 4·78	
12. **Douglas**—Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 7·75	0 10·80		2 6·55	
13. **Forth**—Water, ...	2 4·00	1 6·40		3 10·40	
14. **Kirkfieldbank**—Water, ...	1 8·75	1 1·50		2 10·25	
15. **Law**—Water and Drainage, ...	1 1·50	1 2·63		2 4·13	
16. **Leadhills**—Scavenging, ...	1 4·00	1 3·30		2 7·30	
17. **Lesmahagow**—Water, Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 9·25	1 1·50		2 10·75	
18. Do. Water only.	1 5·50	1 1·50		2 7·00	
19. **Ponfeigh**—Water, ...	1 5·50	1 2·63		2 8·13	Parish of Carmichael
20. Do. do.	1 5·50	1 5·89		2 11·39	Parish of Douglas
21. **Roberton**—Water, ...	1 11·50	0 6·38		2 5·88	
22. **Symington**—Water, ...	1 7·75	0 6·17		2 1·92	
23. **Thankerton**—Water and Drainage, ...	1 7·00	0 4·78		1 11·78	

MIDDLE WARD.

Special District.	County Rates.	Parish Rates.	Airdrie, Coatbridge, and District Water Rate, or Glasgow Water Rate.	Total Amount of Rates levied on Gross Rental in Valuation Roll, 1918-19.	Remarks.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
24. **Aitkenhead and Tannochside**—Drainage and Lighting,	2 1·50	1 3·80		3 5·30	
25. **Baillieston** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 9·25	1 6·80	1 10	5 2·05	
26. Do. Lighting and Scavenging, ...	1 6·25	1 6·80	1 10	4 11·05	
27. **Bellshill and Mossend**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 10·75	1 3·80		4 2·55	Airdrie Police District and Bellshill Electric Lighting Area
28. Do. do. do. do. ...	2 10·50	1 3·80		4 2·30	Airdrie Police District
29. Do. do. do. do. ..	2 10·50	1 3·80		4 2·30	Hamilton Police District and Bellshill Electric Lighting Area
30. Do. do. do. do. ...	2 10·25	1 3·80		4 2·05	Hamilton Police District
31. **Blantyre** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging.	2 7·33	1 10·10		4 5·43	
32. Do. Lighting only, ...	1 10·83	1 10·10		3 8·93	
33. **Bothwell** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 5·75	1 3·80		3 9·55	
34. Do. Lighting and Scavenging, ...	2 3·50	1 3·80		3 7·30	
35. **Bothwell Park**—Lighting, ...	2 3·00	1 3·80		3 6·80	Airdrie Police District
36. Do. do.	2 2·75	1 3·80		3 6·55	Hamilton Police District
37. **Busby**—Drainage and Lighting, ...	2 4·25	0 10·80		3 3·05	
38. Do. Lighting only, ...	1 9·75	0 10·80		2 8·55	
39. **Calderbank**—Lighting, ...	1 1·00	1 6·80	1 10	4 5·80	
40. **Cambuslang**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 11·25	1 4·20		4 3·45	
Carfin (*See No. 56*).					
41. **Carmyle and Mount Vernon**—Lighting and Scavenging and Mount Vernon Drainage,	1 2·75	1 6·80	1 10 0 10	4 7·55 3 7·55	A. C. & D. Water Glasgow Water
42. **Carmyle and Mount Vernon**—Lighting and Scavenging,	1 1·75	1 6·80	1 10 0 10	4 6·55 3 6·55	A. C. & D. Water Glasgow Water
43. **Mount Vernon**—Drainage, ...	1 1·50	1 6·80	1 10 0 10	4 6·30 3 6·30	A. C. & D. Water Glasgow Water
44. Do. Drainage and North Mount Vernon Lighting,	1 2·25	1 6·80	1 10 0 10	4 7·05 3 7·05	A. C. & D. Water Glasgow Water
45. **Carnbroe**—Drainage, ...	1 10·00	1 3·80		3 1·80	
46. **Chapelhall**—Drainage, ...	2 4·50	1 3·80		3 8·30	
47. **Cleland and Omoa**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 7·56	1 1·40		3 8·96	
48. Do. do Lighting and Scavenging,	2 1·56	1 1·40		3 2·96	Parish of Shotts
49. Do. do. do. ...	2 1·50	1 3·80		3 5·30	Parish of Bothwell
50. **Dalziel and Netherton**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 3·25	1 6·00 1 7·88		3 9·25 3 11·13	Parish of Cambusnethan Parish of Dalziel
51. **East Kilbride**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 8·25	1 2·40		3 10·65	
52. **Gartlea**—Lighting and Scavenging, ...	1 3·00	1 4·00	1 10	4 5·00	

Special District.	County Rates.	Parish Rates.	Airdrie, Coatbridge, and District Water Rate, or Glasgow Water Rate.	Total Amount of Rates levied on Gross Rental in Valuation Roll, 1918-19.	Remarks.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
53. **Glengowan and Caldercruix**—Lighting,	2 0·00	1 3·09 1 3·20		3 3·09 3 3·20	Parish of Shotts Parish of New Monkland
54. **Hamilton Road**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 2·75	1 7·88		3 10·63	
55. **Harthill**—Lighting, ...	2 1·50	1 1·40		3 2·90	
56. **Carfin**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 6·25	1 3·80		3 10·05	
57. **Holytown**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 3·75	1 3·80		3 7·55	Hamilton Police District
58. Do. Lighting and Scavenging.	2 3·00	1 3·80		3 6·80	Do.
59. Do. Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 4·00	1 3·80		3 7·80	Airdrie Police District
60. **New Stevenston** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 3·75	1 3·80		3 7·55	
61. **Larkhall** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 8·75	1 9·00		4 5·75	
62. Do. Drainage and Lighting, ...	2 4·25	1 9·00		4 1·25	
63. Do. Lighting and Scavenging, ...	2 3·25	1 9·00		4 0·25	
64. Do. Lighting only, ...	1 10·75	1 9·00		3 7·75	
65. **Newarthill**—Lighting, ...	1 11·75	1 3·80		3 3·55	
Mount Vernon (*See Nos. 41 to 44*).					
66. **Newmains**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 5·25	1 6·00		3 11·25	
67. **Newton and Flemington**—Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging,	2 6·25	1 4·20		3 10·45	
68. Do. do. do. and Electric Lighting,	2 8·50	1 4·20		4 0·70	
North Mount Vernon—(*See Mount Vernon, No. 44*).					
69. **Salsburgh**—Drainage and Scavenging, ...	2 2·00	1 1·40		3 3·40	
70. Do. Scavenging, ...	2 2·00	1 1·40		3 3·40	
71. **Shotts and Dykehead**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 5·00 2 5·06	1 1·69 1 2·63		3 6·69 3 7·69	Parish of Cambusnethan Parish of Shotts
72. **Stonehouse**—Drainage and Lighting, ...	2 1·00	1 6·07		3 7·07	
73. **Strathaven** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 7·00	0 10·80		3 5·80	
74. **Uddingston** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	2 2·87	1 3·80		3 6·67	
75. Do. Drainage and Scavenging, ...	2 2·00	1 3·80		3 5·80	
76. Do. Lighting and Scavenging, ...	2 0·87	1 3·80		3 4·67	
	Burgh Rates.				
77. **Burgh of Wishaw**, ...	4 2·00	0 2·12	1 7·69 1 5·63		5 11·81 5 9·75	Parish of Dalziel Parish of Cambusnethan
78. **Burgh of Motherwell**, ...	2 11·25	0 3·00	1 7·69 1 3·63		4 9·94 4 5·88	Parish of Dalziel Parish of Bothwell
79. Do. (Extended Area),	2 11·25	0 3·00	1 7·69 1 3·63		4 9·94 4 5·88	Parish of Dalziel Parish of Bothwell

LOWER WARD.

Special District.	County Rates.	Parish Rates.	Airdrie, Coatbridge, and District Water Rate, or Glasgow Water Rate.	Total Amount of Rates levied on Gross Rental in Valuation Roll, 1918-19.	Remarks.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
80. **Barony**—Drainage, ...	0 11·53	1 8·40	0 10	3 5·93	Purification Works, South
81. Do. do.	0 11·53	1 8·40	1 10	4 5·93	Do.
82. Do. do.	1 1·03	1 8·40	0 10	3 7·43	Glasgow Sewage Purification Area
83. **Bishopbriggs**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging,	1 9·50	1 2·40	0 10	3 9·90	Parish of Cadder
84. Do. Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2 4·50	1 2·40		3 6·90	Do.
85. **Bishopbriggs**—Drainage and Cadder Water,	2 1·00	1 2·40		3 3·40	Do.
86. **Cadder**—Water, ...	1 6·60	1 2·40		2 8·40	Parish of Cadder
87. Do. do.	1 4·53	1 8·40		3 0·93	Parish of Glasgow (Shettleston Sch'l Board)
		1 10·21		3 2·74	Parish of Glasgow (Glasgow School Board)
88. **Carmunnock**—Drainage, ...	2 8·50	0 6·80		3 3·30	
89. **Chryston and Muirhead** — Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder, Water,	2 6·75	1 2·40		3 9·15	
90. Do. Drainage and Cadder Water, ...	2 4·00	1 2·40		3 6·40	
91. **Lambhill**—Lighting, ...	0 11·53	1 10·21	0 10	3 7·74	
92. **Millerston and Stepps**—Lighting, Barony Drainage, and Glasgow Sewage Purification,	1 1·28	1 8·40	0 10	3 7·68	Parish of Glasgow
93. **Stepps**—Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2 0·28	1 8·40		3 8·68	Do.
94. Do. Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging, and Cadder Water,	2 1·75	1 2·40		3 4·15	Parish of Cadder
95. **North Shettleston** — Lighting and Scavenging and Barony Drainage,	1 4·03	1 8·40	0 10	3 10·43	Purification Works, South
96. Do. Lighting and Scavenging and Barony Drainage,	1 5·53	1 8·40	0 10	3 11·93	Glasgow Sewage Purification Area
97. Do. Lighting and Barony Drainage, ...	1 0·53	1 8·40	0 10	3 6·93	Purification Works, South
98. **Rutherglen** — Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging,	1 6·25	1 5·16	0 10	3 9·41	
99. Do. Drainage, ...	1 3·75	1 5·16	0 10	3 6·91	
100. Do. Drainage and Lighting, ...	1 4·00	1 5·16	0 10	3 7·16	
101 Do. Drainage and Cambuslang Scavenging,	1 8·25	1 5·16	0 10	3 11·41	
102. Do. Drainage and Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging,	1 10·50	1 5·16	0 10	4 1·66	
103. **South Lenzie**—Water, Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging,	1 9·25	1 2·40		2 11·65	
104. Do. Drainage, Lighting and Scavenging,	1 3·75	1 2·40		2 6·15	
105. Do. Drainage and Lighting and Cadder Water,	1 8·25	1 2·40		2 10·65	
106. Do. Drainage and Cadder Water, ...	1 8·00	1 2·40		2 10·40	
Stepps *(See Nos. 92, 93, and 94).*					

County Offices, Hamilton,

THOS. MUNRO,

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1918.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings there, upon Tuesday, the 10th day of September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark. 10th September, 1918.

Present— **Middle Ward.**

George Fraser.	A. D. Mack.
William Gardner.	George Stalker.
James Kelly.	William Sym.
John M. Loudon.	William Templeton.
William Love.	David Thomson.

W. B. Thomson.

In the absence, on military duty, of Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, Mr. Fraser was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Robert Lambie. Apology for absence.

Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, Solicitor, of the County Offices, Hamilton, was appointed Clerk to the meeting, Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, being absent in London on Government business.

The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting, as given in the *Scotsman*, *Glasgow Herald*, *Daily Record and Mail*, *Lanarkshire*, and *Hamilton Advertiser* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice of meeting.

The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Parishes of Blantyre, Bothwell, Cambuslang, Dalziel, East Kilbride, New Monkland, Old Monkland, and Shotts, in the Middle Ward of the County, were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals, which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto. Appeals

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Consideration of the following appeals:—

Parish of Dalziel—

963—Workshop, Toll Street, Motherwell (Proprietors—Dalziel Motor Manufacturer Company, Limited; Occupiers—Proprietors), ... £343 0 0

9058—Iron and Steel Works, (Craigneuk, Motherwell (Proprietors and Occupiers—Etna Iron and Steel Company, Limited), ... 1,200 0 0

was continued till a meeting of the committee, to be held in the County Buildings, Hamilton, on Tuesday, 24th instant, at 10.30 a.m.

In the case of the following appeal, viz.:—

Parish of Cambuslang.—800. Spirit Shop, 414/412 Hamilton Road, Cambuslang (Proprietors—James Crawford and Robert Crawford; Tenant—John Campbell), ... £150 0 0

the appellant declared himself dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and asked that a case be stated specially, and signed, for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

12th September, 1918.

At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings there, upon Thursday, the 12th day of September, 1918, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Middle Ward.

Present—

George Fraser.	A. D. Mack.
William Gardner.	George Stalker.
Gilbert Hamilton.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.

David Thomson.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel Buchanan, Mr. Fraser was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, Solicitor, of the County Offices, Hamilton, was appointed Clerk to the meeting, Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, being absent in London on Government business.

Appeals.

The several appeals against the valuations of the lands and heritages in the Parishes of Avondale, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Glasford, Hamilton, and Stonehouse, in the Middle Ward District, having been laid on the table, were taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals, which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Consideration of the following appeals:—

Parish of Hamilton—

1—Mansion House and Offices, The Ross, ... £300 0 0

8—Plantations, Ross and Haughead (Proprietor and Occupier—Thomas Stokes George Hugh Robertson Aikman of Ross), ... 33 0 0

was continued till the meeting of the committee to be held in the County Buildings, Hamilton, on Tuesday, 24th instant, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings there, upon Tuesday, the 24th day of September, 1918, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark. 24th September, 1918.

Present— **Middle Ward.**

George Fraser.	George Stalker.
James Kelly.	William Sym.
John M. Loudon.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	David Thomson.

In the absence of Colonel Buchanan, Mr. George Fraser was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, Solicitor, of the County Offices, Hamilton, was appointed Clerk to the meeting, Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, being absent in London on Government business.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mr. Robert Lambie and Mr. William Love. Apogolies for absence.

The committee resumed consideration of the appeals continued from the meetings at Hamilton on 10th and 12th current, and having heard the appellants' agents, gave their decision therein as detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative thereto. Appeals.

In the case of the following appeal:—

Parish of Dalziel.—9058. Iron and Steel Works, Craigneuk, Motherwell (Proprietors and Occupiers—Etna Iron and Steel Company, Limited), ... £1,200 0 0

the appellants declared themselves dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and asked that a case should be stated specially, and signed, for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges.

The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto. Valuation Roll.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

16th September, 1918.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall there, on Monday, the 16th day of September, 1918, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Upper Ward of the County of Lanark.

Upper Ward.

Present—

Gavin Hamilton.	Thomas M'Auslan.
W. K. Jackson.	Andrew Murdoch.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.	Alexander Pillans.
	William Wilson.

Chairman.

In the absence, on military service, of Colonel Hope Vere, chairman of the committee, Mr. Alexander Pillans was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, Solicitor, of the County Offices, Hamilton, was appointed Clerk to the meeting, Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, being absent in London on Government business.

Notice of meeting.

The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting, as given in the *Scotsman*, *Glasgow Herald*, *Daily Record and Mail*, *Lanarkshire*, and *Hamilton Advertiser* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Appeals.

The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Upper Ward of the County for the current year were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are set forth in the list of appeals, which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

In the case of the following appeal, viz.:—

Parish of Biggar.—855. Land, Millstone and Southcroft (Proprietor—Mrs. Agnes M. E. Bowen, widow, 14 Ridgemont Road, St. Albans; Occupier—Proprietor, season). £44 10 0

the appellant declared herself dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and asked that a case should be stated specially, and signed, for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges.

Valuation Roll.

The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

Joint-Committee of County Council of County of Lanark and Town Council of Burgh of Biggar.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 16th October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and the Town Council of the Burgh of Biggar for Food Control purposes. 16th October, 1918.

Present—

As representing the County—

J. Raeside Auld.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Thomas M'Auslan.
Alexander Pillans.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.

As representing the Burgh of Biggar—

Ex-Bailie Ferguson.
Bailie Hyslop.

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., in the chair. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk explained that the term of office for which the present Food Control Committees had been appointed expired last month, but that the Food Controller had considered it would be more convenient to have the fresh appointments made in November, and it had now been decided to constitute new Committees as from 18th November, and to extend the term of office of members of existing Committees to that date. Reappointment of Food Control Committee.

There were laid on the table prints of the following, viz.:—

The Food Control Committees (Constitution) Order, 1917, as amended by the Food Control Committees (Constitution) Amendment Order, 1918;

The Joint Food Control Committees (Constitution) Amendment Order, 1918; and

Memorandum by the Ministry of Food on the Reappointment of Food Control Committees (M.G.L.A.1).

Copies of the Memorandum M.G.L.A.1, and of a Memorandum prepared by the Clerk explanatory of the provisions of the Food Controller's Orders and recommendations regulating the reappointment of Food Control Committees (Appendix I) had been issued to members prior to this meeting.

The meeting having proceeded to appoint a new Food Control Committee, it was unanimously agreed to have a Committee of 16, of whom three members should represent Labour, two should be women, one should represent Co-operators, one should represent Private Traders, and the remainder should be nominated by the Local Authority.

It was also unanimously agreed that the following organisations be invited to nominate the Labour and Co-operators' Representatives respectively, viz.:—

Labour—

Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, ...	2
Iron and Steel Workers' Societies, ...	1

Co-operators—

Central Co-operative Conference, ...	1

The meeting then proceeded to appoint the remaining members of the Committee, when the following were unanimously nominated:—

As representing the County—
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

As representing the Upper Ward—
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.

As representing the Middle Ward—
William Gardner.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.

As representing the Lower Ward—
J. Raeside Auld.

As representing Women—
Mrs. Annie A. Neish, Logan Place, Forniegair.
Lady Helen Wilson, Flemington House, Uddingston.

As representing Private Traders—
William Davie.

It was unanimously agreed that the remaining vacancy in the Committee should be reserved for a member to be nominated by the Town Council of Biggar.

Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918.

The meeting then took up the remit from the County Council at their meeting on 10th current, to consider the setting up of the necessary organisation for the putting into operation within the County of Lanark (Landward) and Burgh of Biggar of the provisions of the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918, when there were submitted a print of the Order and also a print of Notes by the Clerk on the provisions of the Order relating to Organisation (Appendix II), copies of which had been sent to each member of the Committee previous to this meeting.

Appointment of Common Local Fuel Overseer.

After receiving further explanations from the Clerk, and discussing the matter generally, it was agreed that a Common Local Fuel Overseer should be appointed for the combined area of the County of Lanark (Landward)

and the Burgh of Biggar, and that Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, of the County Offices, Hamilton, be appointed to the post. It was decided to leave over the question of any remuneration to be paid to Mr. Walker until it was seen what work was involved in the office.

Mr. Walker, being present, thanked the meeting for the honour they had done him in appointing him.

Appointment of Local Fuel and Lighting Committee.

The meeting then considered the question of appointing a Local Fuel and Lighting Committee for the combined area. After some discussion, it was agreed, in addition to the "Trade Representatives" to be appointed by the Coal Merchants and Dealers and the Gas and Electricity Companies or Undertakers, to ask the Railway Companies in the area to nominate one member of the Committee and to appoint a chairman and five other independent members. The following gentlemen were then appointed chairman and independent members of the Committee respectively:—

Chairman—

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Other independent members—

Mr. J. Raeside Auld.
Mr. Gavin Hamilton.
Mr. W. K. Jackson.
Mr. Thomas M'Auslin.
Mr. James Tonner, M.B.E.

The Clerk was instructed to intimate the constitution of the Committee to the Coal Merchants and Dealers, the Gas and Electricity Companies and Undertakers, and the Railway Companies in the area, and to request them to take steps, as soon as possible, to appoint their representatives on the Committee.

APPENDIX I.

MEMORANDUM EXPLANATORY OF PROVISIONS OF THE FOOD CONTROLLER'S ORDERS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGULATING RE-APPOINTMENT OF FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEES.

The provisions affecting the re-appointment of Food Control Committees are contained in—

The Food Control Committees (Constitution) Order, 1917.

The Joint Food Control Committees (Constitution) Order, 1918.

The Food Control Committees (Constitution) Amendment Order, 1918.

In addition, the Food Controller has issued a Memorandum containing certain directions and suggestions.

The Joint-Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar are meantime concerned with the provisions of the first and last of these Orders and of the Memorandum.

The original term of office of Food Control Committees was intended to be one year from September, 1917. It was, however, subsequently considered that the commencement of November would be a more convenient date to make fresh appointments, and it has now been decided to constitute new Committees, with effect from 18th November, 1918, and to extend the term of office of members of existing Committees to that date.

The Food Controller has intimated that he attaches the greatest importance to securing upon many Food Control Committees a wider and more direct representation of labour, women, and the co-operative movement, and provision has been made for this purpose upon the occasion of the re-appointment of the Committees. It is satisfactory to note that, in appointing the original Food Control Committee, the Joint-Committee have largely anticipated the views of the Food Controller.

The principal provisions of the Orders affecting the appointment of new Food Control Committees are as follows:—

Date of Appointment.

New Committees must be appointed between 5th October and 12th November, 1918.

Number of Members.

The maximum number of members under the original Order was 12. The Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar was, by special permission of the Food Controller, increased to 13, to permit of Mr. Gallacher, a member of the Consumers' Council, being added to it.

Under the new Order, in the case of districts having a population at last census of over 20,000, the maximum number of members who may be appointed is increased to 16. In other cases the maximum number will remain

at 12. The minimum number of members is 8. The Controller will be prepared specially to consider exemption from these provisions in cases—

(*a*) Where sanction has already been given for a number in excess of the maximum prescribed by the new Order;

(*b*) In the case of a Joint-Committee for several districts where an increase may be necessary to allow of due representation of the different districts concerned;

(*c*) To permit of the appointment on certain Committees of members of the Consumers' Council.

The new Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar may therefore contain 16 members, or, with Mr. Gallacher added, 17.

CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE.

Members of Local Authority.

A member of the Committee need not be a member of the Authority by which he is appointed. In this connection the Food Controller hopes that the Local Authority will appoint a substantial minority from outside their own number.

Women Members.

At least two members must be women. Local Authorities are asked to secure that such members are fully representative of women's interests, and it is desirable that working women should be represented. The same person cannot be counted as a woman member and labour representative.

Labour Representatives.

Where the number of members is less than 12, at least 2 other members, and in every other case at least 3 other members, must be representative of labour.

The Food Controller's view is that these members should be appointed after nomination by representative labour organisations.

Co-operative Representation.

In any district in which a Co-operative Society is established, if any food trader, whether a member of the Local Authority or not, is appointed to the Committee, at least one representative of the Co-operative movement must also be appointed. Even where no food trader is appointed on the Committee, it is recommended that a representative of the Co-operative movement be elected. Such appointment should be made after consultation with Co-operative Organisations.

Food Traders.

Not more than three persons at present trading in any business of food manufacture or distribution, whether members of the Local Authority or not, may be included on any Committee. The term "Food Trader" is to include paid officials of Co-operative Societies.

Farmers.

Farmers are not counted as food traders, but the ordinary rule will be that not more than three farmers may be appointed to a Committee. If, in

a rural district, a Committee cannot be secured without appointing more than three farmers, any proposed appointment in excess of three should be submitted to the Divisional Food Commissioner for approval.

General.

Members appointed on Committees should ordinarily be resident in the district of the Committee on which they serve.

No *ex officio* members can be appointed.

Term of Office.

The term of office of members of a Committee is one year.

The present Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar consists of the following members:—

Representing the County—

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Upper Ward—

Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.

Middle Ward—

John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.

Lower Ward—

J. Raeside Auld.

Lanarkshire Miners' Union—

James Tonner, M.B.E.

Co-operative Societies—

Thomas M'Auslin.

Private Traders—

William Davie.

Women—

Mrs. Neish.

Member of Consumers' Council—

William Gallacher.

T.M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 10*th October*, 1918.

APPENDIX II.

THE HOUSEHOLD FUEL AND LIGHTING (SCOTLAND) ORDER, 1918.

NOTES ON PROVISION OF THE ORDER RELATING TO ORGANISATION.

Local Fuel Overseer.

The first step to be taken by the Local Authority is to appoint a Local Fuel Overseer. This should be done within fourteen days of the date on which the Order comes into effect. The Order comes into effect on 1st October, 1918, unless the Controller suspends its operation, which he has power to do.

Two or more Local Authorities may, with assent of the Controller, and shall, if required by him, combine for appointing a common Local Fuel Overseer, or for any other purpose of the Order, and a single Local Authority may, with such assent, and if so required, shall divide its district and appoint a Local Fuel Overseer for each part (Clause 28).

Local Fuel and Lighting Committee.

The Local Authority or Authorities *may* appoint in each district, to supervise and assist the Local Fuel Overseer, a Local Fuel and Lighting Committee. Such appointment is optional. If a Committee is appointed it must consist of:—

Trade Representatives.

Two members to be appointed by the persons in the district engaged in the coal trade, one of whom shall represent the registered coal merchants and shall be known as the Coal Merchants' Supervisor for the district, and the other of whom shall represent the licensed coal dealers.

One member to be nominated by the Gas Company or Companies or other gas undertakers (if any), to represent the gas-works either situated within the district or authorised to supply within the district, who shall undertake the duties of Local Gas Supervisor.

One member to be nominated by the Electricity Company or Companies, or other electricity undertakers (if any), to represent the electricity works, either situated within the district or authorised to supply within the district, who shall undertake the duties of Local Electricity Supervisor.

If the Local Authority or Authorities concerned desire, or if the Controller requires,

"Not more than two members to be nominated by the Railway Company or Companies having depots or sidings within the district through which coal is supplied, or by the Canal Company or Companies having wharves within the district through which coal is supplied, or by the Harbour Board or Company or River Conservancy having wharves or accommodation within the district through which coal is supplied."

Independent Members.

The Local Authority or Authorities shall in every case appoint an equal number of members to those to be appointed as above, but not being less than five, and in addition a Chairman of the Committee.

The Local Fuel Overseer shall also be a member of the Committee, but shall not vote upon any appeal from any decision given, or action taken, by him upon any matter involving expense to the Local Authority or Authorities (Clause 30).

Secretary.

A Secretary may be appointed by the Local Fuel and Lighting Committee, but such Secretary shall have no executive authority in relation to any matter or thing under this Order, apart from the Local Fuel Overseer (Clause 32).

Where no Committee appointed.

Where a Local Fuel and Lighting Committee is not appointed, the Local Fuel Overseer shall request the nomination and appointment of a Coal Merchants' Supervisor (Clause 39), and in the same event representatives shall still be nominated by the Gas or Electricity Companies or undertakings, respectively, within any district, to advise and assist the Local Fuel Overseer in matters relating to coal and coke, gas, and electricity respectively (Clauses 43 and 44).

It is understood that the Town Council of Biggar are desirous of co-operating with the County Council for the purpose of executing the provisions of the Order within their combined area. In that event the Committee would proceed to nominate a common Local Fuel Overseer. They would thereafter decide whether a Committee should be appointed, and if so, they would then nominate the independent members, five or six in number as the case might be, and, in addition, a chairman.

T.M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 10*th October*, 1918.

COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 21st October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee, appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. 21st October, 1918.

Present—

GAVIN HAMILTON. WILLIAM LOVE.
W. K. JACKSON. THOMAS M'AUSLIN.
ROBERT LAMBIE. Mrs. NEISH.
JAMES TONNER, M.B.E.

In the absence of Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

An apology for absence was also intimated on behalf of Mr. J. Raeside Auld. Apology

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 18th September, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Under reference to the paragraph in the minutes of last meeting regarding the Memorandum from the Hamilton Grocers' Association, the Clerk submitted notes which he had prepared setting forth his views on the various matters dealt with in the Memorandum. Copies of the notes had already been sent to members of the committee. The meeting unanimously approved of the suggestions for modifications of the present regulations proposed by the Clerk in his notes, and instructed a copy of the notes to be forwarded to the Food Commissioner for his consideration. Memorandum from Hamilton Grocers' Association.

The Clerk reported that, along with the Food Commissioner, his assistant Mr. Wells, and Mr. Cassells, Executive Officer for the Burgh of Hamilton, he had attended a meeting with the Executive of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, at which various matters connected with food rationing had been discussed, including the necessity of procuring larger supplies of cheese for miners. The Food Commissioner had undertaken to introduce a system of priority rationing of cheese for miners, who from the peculiarity of their calling used a larger quantity of cheese than other workers, under which miners would receive a priority ration of 8 ounces per head per week. The Clerk had, at the request of the Food Commissioner, taken the initial steps to introduce the scheme, but now desired the approval of the committee. The committee approved. Priority rationing of cheese for miners.

Constitution of Local Sub-Committees—
(*a*) Blantyre Sub-Committee.

The Clerk intimated that, on account of the retiral of Mr. John Tennant, the private traders' representative on the Blantyre Sub-Committee, the local Merchants' Association had been requested to nominate another gentleman in Mr. Tennant's place, and that they had now nominated Mr. Andrew Arbuckle, Blantyre, to fill the vacant position.

(*b*) Bellshill and Holytown Sub-Committee.

He also submitted a letter from the Sub-Executive Officer at Bellshill, of date 17th current, reporting that Mr. John Cuming, 15 Skene Place, Bellshill, had retired from the Bellshill and Holytown Sub-Committee, and that the Bellshill Branch of the Miners' Union, who had originally nominated Mr. Cuming, now suggested the name of Mr. Michael Powers, Craig Place, Bellshill, in his stead.

The committee approved of both nominations.

Applications under Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918.

There were laid before the meeting the following applications for licences under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, viz.:—

Joseph Colville, 82 Budhill Avenue, Shettleston, to establish a fish and chip restaurant at 14 Budhill Avenue, Shettleston.

Agnes Morton, 3 North Road, Bellshill, to establish a milk, butter, and egg shop at 60 Hamilton Road, Crossgates, Bellshill.

William John Rankin, Veeniewood, Carfin Street, New Stevenston, to establish a grocery business there.

A. Newbigging, 3 Afton Place, Crossgates, Bellshill, to establish a refreshment shop at Burnie Place, Crossgates, Bellshill.

John Marshall, 13 Cochran Street, Glasgow, to establish a bread and scone bakery at 5 Hamilton Road, Bellshill.

Mrs. John Lavery, Heathfield House, Chryston, to establish a refreshment shop there.

Mrs. Jeanie Spence M'Callum, 5 Old Auchenairn, Bishopbriggs, to establish a refreshment and tobacconist's shop there.

Mrs. Annie Dawson, 13 Hamilton Road, Cambuslang, to transfer her grocery business from 13 Hamilton Road to 7 Main Street, Cambuslang.

The committee, having considered the individual applications, and having received further explanations from the Clerk as to the circumstances of certain of them, agreed to approve of all the applications.

Applications for registration under Fish (Registration of Dealers) Order, 1918.

The Clerk submitted applications under the Fish (Registration of Dealers) Order, 1918, from Thomas Macfarlane, Alston Street, Glassford, to be registered as a retailer in respect of his premises there; from William Simpson, 212 Station Road, Dykehead, Shotts, to be registered as a fish retailer in respect of his shop there, and also as a hawker; and from Alexander Torrance, North Shaws, Clelland, to be registered as a hawker. The committee agreed to grant all the applications.

Sale of sweetmeats.—Application by Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Limited, Phœnix Tube Works, Rutherglen, asking the committee to reconsider the firm's application for a licence to retail sweetmeats in the canteen at their works, which had been previously refused. The committee decided to adhere to their previous decision.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

Prints of various official Orders and Leaflets which had been issued since last meeting of the committee were laid upon the table.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at the meetings of the sub-committees on Orders relating to milk and butter, and to flour and bread, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof, and of the several findings and recommendations of these sub-committees. Proceedings of sub-committees.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 21st October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Milk and Butter. 21st October, 1918.

Present—

GAVIN HAMILTON. WILLIAM LOVE.
W. K. JACKSON. THOMAS M'AUSLIN.
ROBERT LAMBIE. MRS. NEISH.
JAMES TONNER, M.B.E.

Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mr. J. Raeside Auld and Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., Apologies.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 19th August, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, and which had already been approved by the parent committee, were submitted and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a Conference of Food Control Committees, held in Glasgow on 26th August, 1918, to consider the question of milk supplies for the winter as set forth in the minutes of the Conference (Appendix I). Conference on milk supplies.

Under reference to the paragraph in the minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee regarding the inadequacy of the punishment imposed on persons convicted of selling adulterated milk, the Clerk reported that he had written to the County Clerk as instructed. In reply he had received a letter from the County Clerk, of date 24th ultimo, intimating that the Public Health Committee of the County Council, after careful consideration, could not see their way to recommend the Council to take steps with a view to greater publicity being given to the results of proceedings instituted under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts than is afforded under the practice which presently obtains. Proceedings are presently taken in the open Court, and the results recorded in the minutes of the Council, of which copies are supplied to representatives of the press. The sub-committee agreed to take no further action in the matter. Punishment of persons convicted of offences.

Retail milk prices.

As authorised by the parent committee, the Clerk had, after consultation with the chairman of the sub-committee, arranged for a Conference of representatives of Food Control Committees from the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, and the Burghs therein, being held in Glasgow on 27th ultimo, to consider the question of retail milk prices for the winter months. The Conference had, by a majority, agreed to recommend that the retail price for the winter months be 3s. per gallon, subject to the qualification that a lesser price might be adopted in Ayrshire in view of the special conditions prevailing in that county. The Conference had also unanimously instructed the Clerk to represent to the Food Commissioner that, in their opinion, the price of 2s. 3d. per gallon allowed to producers under the Milk Winter Prices Order was unduly high. The recommendation of the Conference as to the price for the winter months was now submitted to the sub-committee for their consideration.

In this connection there was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. Alexander Gillies, Greenbank Dairy, Bothwell, of date 28th ultimo, asking the sub-committee to fix the maximum price allowed by the Food Controller for retail sales of milk, and setting forth his reasons for that request. Mr. Gillies also drew attention to the variation in the practice of selling in some cases by imperial measure and in other cases by money's worth.

The sub-committee, having considered the report of the Conference and Mr. Gillies's letter, agreed to bring the matters referred to by Mr. Gillies before the next meeting of the Conference, but meantime resolved to recommend to the committee that the price for milk on the occasion of a sale by retail should be at the rate of 3s. per gallon for the whole period between 1st October, 1918, and 30th April, 1919.

Milk supply in Bellshill Area.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the County Medical Officer of Health, of date 7th current, in which the County Medical Officer of Health explained that he had attended the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre at Bellshill on the preceding Thursday, and interviewed some mothers with large families, who were unable to get a sufficient milk supply, and, after investigation by a Food Inspector, he had found that there was a serious shortage of milk in the area. If the committee could arrange to increase the milk supply to the area the question of distribution would be considered. At present the Mossend Co-operative Society and Mrs. Robb, Calder Road Dairy, Mossend, were amongst the chief vendors; but the District Committee might arrange in connection with their Child Welfare Scheme to undertake the distribution. There accompanied the letter a copy of the notes made by the Food and Drugs Inspector for the County Medical Officer, who further stated that he was satisfied there was urgent need for action. The Clerk, immediately on receipt of this letter, had interviewed the County Medical Officer, and explained to him that the whole question of milk supplies was under consideration, including that of the Bellshill Area. He had also offered to grant priority supply certificates to mothers with young families. This offer had been taken advantage of, and certificates had been at once granted to mothers of families whose names had been furnished, and this, it was understood, had met the immediate situation. In view of the report by the County Medical Officer as to shortage of supplies, the Clerk had taken a census of the milk sold by retailers in the Bellshill Area during the month of October, 1917, and also during the present month, and had been surprised to find that the amounts were almost the same. There was, however, a change in the channels of distribution, one or two farmers, who previously sold their milk to local dairies wholesale, having now adopted the practice of retailing the milk from their own premises. The result of

this practice was that one or two localities had been deprived of supplies which formerly were retailed in them. The sub-committee instructed the Clerk to write to two of the farmers in question, pointing out that their action in diverting supplies from previous consumers was causing inconvenience and hardship, and requesting them to arrange for the milk produced by them being retailed to the same classes of customers as formerly.

Scheme for distribution of condensed milk.

As instructed by the sub-committee on 19th August, the Clerk had framed a scheme for the distribution of condensed milk to secure that the prior claims of children to that food should be preserved. A copy of the scheme (Appendix II) had been sent to each member of the sub-committee. A copy of the scheme had also been submitted to the Food Commissioner, and there was read to the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 16th current, approving of the suggested scheme, and pointing out that it would be well to make application to the Food Controller for sanction to it under Clause 14 (*c*) of the Milk (Winter Prices) Order, 1918. The sub-committee approved of the scheme, and of application being made to the Food Controller for his sanction to it being put into operation.

Application for registration as milk retailer.

There was submitted an application by Mr. Thomas Morton for registration as a retail dealer in milk in respect of premises at Crossgates, Bellshill. The sub-committee agreed to grant the application.

APPENDIX I.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

OF

FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEES.

26th August, 1918. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 26th August, 1918, being a Meeting of Representatives of the Food Control Committees for the Counties of Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, and the Burghs therein.

Present—

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Dunbarton—

R. R. Speirs.

D. Cockburn, O.B.E., Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Clydebank—

Provost Taylor, O.B.E. W. Montgomery, Esq.

J. M. Smart, Clerk and Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Dumbarton—

Fergus Roberts, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Helensburgh—

J. H. Murray.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Kirkintilloch—

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Davie.
William Gallacher.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
John Jackson.
Mrs. Neish.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

Robert Bryce Walker, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Airdrie—

Bailie Thomas Armour.

Thomas Thomson, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Coatbridge—

Provost Lavelle. Robert B. Crombie.

Hugh Marshall, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Glasgow—

— Hamilton.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Hamilton—
MATTHEW SEMPLE. WILLIAM MILLER.
JOHN M'GIRR.
FRANCIS CASSELLS, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Lanark—
JOHN M'CLEMENT, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Motherwell—
Ex-Provost WILLIAM PURDIE, J.P.
ALEXANDER SCOTT, J.P., Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Rutherglen—
JAMES KIRKWOOD.
WILLIAM WEIR, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Wishaw—
ROBERT WARDROP. JOHN M. LOUDON.
THOMAS S. HARAN, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Renfrew—
A. T. TAYLOR. ALEX. M'CUTCHEON.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Renfrew—
JOHN W. EWART, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Barrhead—
A. B. WEIR.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Gourock—

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Greenock—
M. AITKEN.
THOMAS R. JACOBS, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Johnstone—
JOHN HUSBAND.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Paisley—
ARCHIBALD MENZIES.
JAMES JOHNSTONE, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Port-Glasgow—
WILLIAM MACKIE.
JOHN HALLIDAY, Executive Officer.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Stirling—
EDWIN BOLTON.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burghs of Denny and Dunipace—

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Falkirk—
ROBERT SNEDDON.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Grangemouth—
ALEXANDER WINTON.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Kilsyth—
JAMES DOCHERTY. ROBERT LEISHMAN.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Stirling—

Present also—

The Hon. GIDEON MURRAY, Food Commissioner for West of Scotland.

Chairman.

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., was unanimously appointed chairman of the meeting.

Milk supplies.

The chairman stated that this meeting had been called on the initiative of his Food Control Committee, who had learned that there were grounds for apprehension as to the adequacy of the supply of milk, particularly in industrial areas, during the winter months. The chairman referred to various causes for this apprehension, and stated that his committee thought that while they might be able by commandeering supplies within the County to secure their own area against shortage, this would be an improper course to follow without having regard to the interests of other communities, and they had therefore decided to ask the Food Control Committees with whom they had previously been in consultation in regard to other matters to send delegates to this conference to-day.

The chairman suggested, for the consideration of the meeting, that the appropriate course at this stage would be to appoint a committee to procure data as to the quantity of milk likely to be produced and consumed in each district, and in the light of that information to make a report to the committees represented. It might be necessary to consider whether rationing should be resorted to, but, in the first instance, unless a general scheme of rationing were introduced for the whole country, it might be sufficient to ration each area, leaving individual committees to deal with internal distribution.

The chairman, having referred to other aspects of the question, called upon the Food Commissioner for an expression of his views.

The Food Commissioner, having thanked the meeting for the opportunity of being present, stated that the milk question was receiving the anxious consideration of the Ministry, but that the Ministry would welcome the appointment of a committee such as was indicated by the chairman, and would be grateful for any information which such a committee might collect. He thought, however, that it would be desirable that the Food Control Committees in the County of Ayr should be represented on the committee, as it was probably the largest milk-producing area in the West of Scotland. It seemed to him that the Counties of Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, and Wigtown might be treated as a separate entity.

After hearing the Food Commissioner and generally discussing the subject, it was unanimously agreed to appoint a committee, consisting of one representative from each County Food Control Committee, including the Food Control Committee for the County of Ayr, one representative from the Food Control Committee of all the Burghs in each County, including the Burghs in Ayrshire; two representatives from the City of Glasgow, and two Executive Officers.

The following committee was thereafter appointed, with power to appoint its own chairman:—

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Ayr—
To be appointed by the Food Control Committee.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar—
Mr. Gavin Hamilton.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Stirling—
Mr. Edwin Bolton.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Renfrew—
Mr. A. T. Taylor.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the County of Dunbarton—
R. R. Speirs.

Representing the Food Control Committees of the Ayrshire Burghs—
To be appointed by the Food Control Committees.

Representing the Food Control Committees of the Lanarkshire Burghs—
Mr. Crombie, Coatbridge.

Representing the Food Control Committees of the Stirlingshire Burghs—
Mr. Docherty. Kilsyth.

Representing the Food Control Committees of the Renfrewshire Burghs—
Mr. Aitken, Greenock.

Representing the Food Control Committees of the Dunbartonshire Burghs—
Provost Taylor. Clydebank.

Representing the Food Control Committee of the Burgh of Glasgow—

Executive Officers—
Mr. J. Johnstone, Paisley; and
Mr. Robert Bryce Walker, Hamilton.
Mr. R. G. Campbell, Assistant Food Commissioner, *ex officio*.

Use of potatoes in bread.

The chairman brought before the conference the question of the making of the use of potatoes in bread compulsory. There was, he explained, a general feeling that the supplies of flour available rendered the use of potatoes in bread less necessary than formerly, and in view of the fact that some committees had agreed to make the use of potatoes in bread compulsory as from 1st September, and that other committees had taken no action, he thought the matter might well be reconsidered.

The Food Commissioner explained that this was a matter which was also under consideration by the Ministry, and that, in the meantime, he would approve of each committee that had adopted the proposal of making the use of potatoes in bread compulsory passing a resolution postponing indefinitely the coming into operation of the scheme.

It was, after a short discussion, unanimously agreed to adopt the suggestion of the Food Commissioner.

Bread prices.

There was laid before the meeting a circular letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 17th August, 1918, regarding the question of the raising of the prices of bread to meet increased cost of production. The conference was unanimously of opinion that this was a matter which would require to be left to each Food Control Committee to deal with in the light of the circumstances of its own area.

Tea rationing.

There was read to the conference a communication from the Hamilton Burgh Food Control Committee regarding the rationing of tea, which, it was pointed out, had not been uniformly adopted throughout Scotland.

After a brief interchange of views, the feeling of the conference was that no encouragement should be given to any proposal to abolish the rationing of tea, and that any step taken should be rather in the direction of making the rationing of tea compulsory throughout the United Kingdom.

Refusal by retailers to make returns.

There was also read to the meeting a letter from the Hamilton Burgh Food Control Committee, regarding the attitude taken up by the Scottish Grocers' Federation Executive in regard to the making of returns and the detaching of coupons. The conference, however, did not think it expedient to deal with this matter.

A vote of thanks having been given to the Food Commissioner for attending the meeting, and to Sir Robert King Stewart for his conduct in the chair, the proceedings terminated.

APPENDIX II.

SCHEME FOR DISTRIBUTION OF CONDENSED MILK.

1. The Food Control Committee will direct all retailers of condensed milk to hold their whole stock of condensed milk at their disposal.

2. Retailers will be informed that the stock to be held at the disposal of the committee is, in the first instance, only to be sold against permits issued by the committee.

3. Parents or guardians of children under five years of age will be entitled to obtain from the Food Control Committee permits on their retailer to get supplies of condensed milk at a rate, to commence with, not exceeding three tins per week.

4. Sub-committees in each area will be furnished with lists of retailers and particulars of the quantity of condensed milk applied for by these. This will enable each sub-committee to ascertain the quantity of condensed milk available in the hands of each retailer, and to arrange that permits are granted on retailers in accordance with the supplies available.

5. Retailers will be advised that any persons holding priority cards or doctors' certificates, by a date to be fixed, must apply to the Local Food Office to have these exchanged for official permits, and after that date no priority cards or doctors' certificates will be recognised by retailers as of any effect.

6. The sub-committees will be advised to limit the amount covered by permits to 50 per cent. of the total nomination for condensed milk shown on the retailers' applications, unless it is ascertained that a retailer has sufficient supplies to warrant the issue upon him of additional permits.

7. If any retailer has actually in stock at one time sufficient milk in excess of the quantity required to meet permits for fourteen days, he should be permitted to sell such excess in the ordinary way of retail trade.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

21st October, 1918. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 21st October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee, appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

Present—

Gavin Hamilton.	William Love.
W. K. Jackson.	Thomas M'Auslin.
Robert Lambie.	Mrs. Neish.

James Tonner, M.B.E.

Chairman. Mr. James Tonner, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apologies. Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., and Mr. J. Raeside Auld.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 18th September, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Application for licence to sell new bread. With reference to the application by Mr. Robert Todd, baker, High Blantyre, for permission to deliver new bread to Mrs. Todd, baker, Bothwell, which had been refused by the sub-committee at last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Todd, of date 23rd September last, explaining that Mrs. Todd had now only one baker left, that she was quite unable to undertake the manufacture of loaf bread, and that he had undertaken to supply part of her requirements, and that it would avoid unnecessary journeys with his motor van and be a great saving of time and petrol if he could be allowed to deliver new bread to Mrs. Todd, who would undertake not to sell the bread until it was twelve hours old. The sub-committee, in view of the further information submitted by Mr. Todd, agreed to grant the licence desired.

Potatoes in bread. There was submitted a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 14th October, 1918, pointing out that only the class of potatoes known as "seconds" were to be used in the manufacture of bread, and that as the supply of this class of potatoes had been exhausted for some time past, there was at present no potatoes in bread scheme in force, and no potatoes for that purpose should be supplied at the instance of Food Control Committees until further notice.

Applications for licences to charge higher prices for bread. There were laid before the meeting applications from Mr. James Veitch, Braehead, Carnwath, for permission to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf, and from Mr. T. Hutchison, Thankerton, to charge 10½d. for the 4-lb. loaf. The sub-committee, having considered the applications, agreed to grant to Mr. Veitch a provisional licence to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf, but in the absence of any satisfactory explanation by Mr. Hutchison in support of his application decided to refuse it.

Licences granted by Food Controller. There were laid on the table copies of thirteen licences to purchase flour for making fine rusks for sausages, granted by the Food Controller under Article 10 of the Flour and Bread (Prices) Order, 1917, to Mr. G. Mackie, baker, Cambuslang; a copy of a licence granted under the same article to Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen, to purchase damaged flour for sizing yarn for tent webs, &c.; and copies of three licences granted by the Food Controller under the Wheat, Rye, and Rice (Restriction) Order, 1917, to Messrs. Somerville & Morrison, Rutherglen; Messrs. David C. Miller, Larkhall; and Messrs. T. P. Miller & Co., Cambuslang, respectively, to purchase maize starch for sizing purposes.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 23rd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 23rd October, 1918.

Present—

William Barr.	William Love.
James Cameron.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
William Gardner.	James C. Pollok.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	William Sym.
William K. Jackson.	William Templeton.
John M. Loudon.	David Thomson.

William Wilson.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 11th September, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, there had been notified 29 cases under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and that of these 2 were anthrax cases, the particulars of these being as follows:— Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Notifications.

Woodhead Farm, Kirkmuirhill (Thomas Mann).—The animal affected in this case was an Ayrshire heifer, 2½ years old, which was bred on the farm. There had been no artificial feeding-stuff used, and the source of infection is a mystery. There remain on the premises 43 cattle, 2 swine, and 5 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector has been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the restrictions which had been placed on the premises were withdrawn on 30th September. Anthrax

Clarkston Farm, Kirkfieldbank (Alexander Stobo).—The animal affected in this case was an Ayrshire bull, which had been 1½ years on the premises. The artificial feeding consisted of bean meal and Egyptian cotton cake. The cotton cake was first given to the bull 5 days ago, and it is suspected that it may have contained infection. There remain on the premises 86 cattle, 73 sheep, 2 swine, and 7 horses. The diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the restrictions which were placed on the premises were withdrawn on 5th October.

Suspected case of glanders.

The Clerk reported that a suspected case of glanders had occurred at—

Wishaw (Messrs. J. & J. Kent, Grain Merchants).

Parasitic mange.

The Clerk also reported that a case of parasitic mange had occurred at—

Netherburn Stables, Dalserf (William Sloway).

and that the restrictions placed upon the following premises had now been withdrawn:—

South Draffan, Kirkmuirhill (Robert Pate).

Swine fever.—Infected places.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Orders, viz.:—

Blackburn Farm, East Kilbride (Thomas Lambie);
Avonmill, Ferniegair (David Fleming);
Carrick Place, Glenboig (John Gilson);
M'Duff Cottage, Glenboig (Archibald Maxwell);

but that the movement restrictions placed upon the premises had since been withdrawn in the three cases last above mentioned.

Sheep Dipping Order.—Alleged contravention.

There having been submitted Police information against Robert Penrice, Gowanside Farm, Carluke, in respect of an alleged contravention of the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, the meeting, after consideration, agreed not to institute proceedings against the accused.

Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
William Gilmour, Magazine House, Stepps	Swine Fever Order—Contravention	Pled guilty, and fined £2.
Andrew Forgie, Easter Glentore Farm, Longriggend	Parasitic Mange Order—Contravention	Pled guilty, and fined £1.
James Harvie, Bankfoot, Lesmahagow	Sheep Dipping Order—Contravention	Pled guilty, and fined £2 10s. or 10 days.

Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913.—Alleged contraventions.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed at last meeting, he had communicated with the offenders against the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, and he submitted the replies received in six cases, in which regret was expressed for having contravened the provisions of the Order. The Clerk stated that in three cases no reply had been received, but that the gardens concerned were very small. The meeting, after consideration, agreed not to institute proceedings in any of the cases.

Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order, 1918.—Question of having part of County scheduled as an "infected area."

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order, 1918, the provisions of which he explained to the meeting. The Clerk stated that he had discussed with Mr. Begg the question as to whether it might be desirable that part of this County, in which a number of outbreaks had occurred, should be scheduled as an "infected area," and that Mr. Begg had had an interview with the Board of Agriculture for Scotland on the subject.

The meeting, having heard the views of the Clerk and Mr. Begg in the matter, agreed to recommend the Board of Agriculture to declare the following parts of the County to be an "infected area," in terms of the Order, viz.:—the Parishes of Glasgow (Landward), Cadder, Cambusnethan, Old Monkland, New Monkland (Landward), Rutherglen, Cambuslang, Blantyre, Hamilton (Landward), Bothwell, Dalzell, Shotts, and Dalserf.

The Clerk stated that, as the Town Councils of Airdrie and Hamilton were separate Local Authorities for the purposes of the Order, he had advised them of the proposal, in case they desired that their respective Burghs should also be included as part of the "infected area," but that he had not yet received a reply in either case.

Letter of thanks from Board of Agriculture and Fisheries for copy of notes on outbreaks of anthrax.

The Clerk reported that he had forwarded to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries a copy of the notes recently prepared by the County Veterinary Inspector on outbreaks of anthrax which had occurred in the County, and he submitted a letter of thanks from the Board for the notes, which, they stated, had been read with interest.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 23rd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 23rd October, 1918.

Present—

John Campbell.	Alexander Pillans.
William Davie.	Col. Sir Robert King Steward K.B.E.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Gilbert Hamilton.	David Thomson.
John P. Kinghorn.	William B. Thomson.
Robert Lambie.	William Wilson.
Peter MacAuslan.	

Attending—

Superintendent Morrison, for the County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of meetings of the committee, of dates 29th May and 19th June, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of meetings.

The Clerk reported the terms of the arrangement arrived at between representatives of the Glasgow Corporation Fire Brigade Committee and the County Fire Brigade Committee, whereby the services of the City Fire Brigade will be available at fires within the County, as the same are set forth in the minutes of the meeting (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. The meeting unanimously approved of the terms of the arrangement. Terms of arrangement arrived at with Glasgow Corporation regarding services of City Fire Brigade.

Accounts.

The Clerk reported that, consequent upon the arrangement arrived at with the Corporation, the Chairman of the Committee had authorised the payment of the following accounts for the attendance of the City Fire Brigade at fires within the County, viz.:—

(1) 6th March, 1917.—Messrs. Andrew Robertson & Son., Ltd., Clydebank Works, Rutherglen, ...	£51	19	5
(2) 27th April, 1918.—Messrs. Allan Whyte & Co., Clyde Patent Wire Rope Works, Rutherglen, ...	18	0	7
(3) 3rd July, 1918.—Richmond Park Laundry, Eastfield, Cambuslang, ...	16	0	0

The meeting approved.

Services of County Fire Brigade at fires in Dunbartonshire.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that the Dunbartonshire Authorities had asked for information as to the basis upon which the cost of the attendance of the Fire Brigade at fires outwith the County was calculated, and that he had supplied them with information obtained from the Firemaster as to the method which had hitherto been adopted in making up the cost, but stated that he proposed to bring the matter before an early meeting of the committee. The Clerk submitted, at the same time, a revised scale of charges fixed by the Corporation of Glasgow for the attendance of the City Fire Brigade at fires within and beyond the City, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Scale of charges to be prepared.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the method which had hitherto been adopted in estimating the cost of the Fire Brigade attending fires outwith the County area should be revised, and remitted to the Chairman, the Clerk, and the Firemaster to prepare a Scale of Charges somewhat on the lines of the scale framed by the Corporation of Glasgow, and to submit the same to a future meeting.

Wages of mechanics. — Letter from Firemaster.

The Clerk submitted the following letter from the County Firemaster, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, N.B., 18th October, 1918.

GENTLEMEN,

I must apologise for being unable to be present at the meeting of the Fire Brigade on 23rd current, as I have to be in London on that date, having arranged to inspect a new Dennis 60 horse power fire engine.

I have no further suggestions to make with regard to the proposed arrangement with Dunbartonshire.

I beg to bring to your notice the present wages paid to your mechanics. As you are aware, there are only two mechanics in the Fire Brigade, and they have to attend to all repairs required on the fire engines and the tender, in addition to their regular work at their respective stations. These men are highly efficient and thoroughly trustworthy in every way.

To give one instance of their value to the County—Bellshill engine recently had both axles bent and other parts damaged. The mechanic effected all repairs in his own garage, merely getting the axles straightened locally. Had this engine been sent for repair by an engineering firm, the expense would have been, judging by an account that the Rutherglen Fire Brigade had to pay for a very much smaller repair, probably over £50.

Your mechanics at present receive £2 16s. per week, with free house and light. They receive no further bonus, and, from what I am told, these men could obtain far higher wages in other employment.

One of the constables, who is driving an engine, is at present receiving 1s. 1d. per week more than the mechanics, and when the Scale of Constabulary Pay is approved he will be receiving 13s. 4d. more. All the other constable drivers will be receiving more pay than the mechanics.

None of these constables are qualified to effect more than simple running repairs to their engines.

I am, GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, Captain,
Firemaster.

The meeting, after discussion, remitted the question of the wages of the mechanics, with powers, to the Chairman of the Committee and Sir Robert King Stewart, along with the Firemaster and the Clerk.

Hose destroyed at fire at Camelon.

The Firemaster reported that a considerable portion of hose had been destroyed while the Fire Brigade was in attendance at a fire which occurred at the works of Messrs. Alexander Cross & Sons, Ltd., at Camelon, Stirlingshire, and he submitted an offer, amounting to £116 16s., from Messrs. M'Gregor & Co., fire hose manufacturers, Dundee, to supply new hose, which the meeting agreed to accept.

APPENDIX.

CORPORATION OF GLASGOW.

18th September, 1918.

At Glasgow, *the 18th September*, 1918.

At a meeting of the Special Sub-Committee on the Attendance of the Fire Brigade at Fires in the Area of the County Council of Lanark.

Special Sub-Committee on Attendance of Fire Brigade at Fires in the County Area.

Present—Councillors James Stewart (Broomielaw) (Chair), Treasurer Barrie, and Councillors Bruce Murray and M'Kechnie.

Present also—Mr. Marr and the Firemaster.

Referring to previous minutes, and particularly to that of date 14th ultimo (Print No. 21, page 1642), remitting to this special sub-committee to meet with representatives of the County Council of Lanark, relative to the decision of the Corporation to terminate the arrangement for the attendance of the City Brigade at fires in the County area, the special sub-committee met the following representatives of the said County Council viz. :—Mr. Wm. Wilson, Chairman of the County Fire Brigade Committee; Captain Despard, Chief Constable; and Mr. Murray (for Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk). After a general interchange of views on the subject-matter, the special sub-committee agreed to recommend (1) that an arrangement be entered into with the said County Council whereby the Corporation agree that the City Fire Brigade should attend fires in the jurisdiction of the County, within a radius of 15 miles from the Glasgow Royal Exchange, when called thereto by the Chief Constable of the County or other member of the County Police Force, or other authorised County Official; it being distinctly understood that the City Fire Brigade shall not attend any fire in the County area unless called by a County Official as before mentioned; (2) that the County Authorities should pay for each attendance of the Fire Brigade the equivalent of the full cost of extinguishing the fire recoverable from the owner under Section 167 of the Glasgow Police Act, 1866; (3) that in no case should the contribution by the County Authorities exceed the sum of £100 for attendance at any one fire; and (4) that the arrangement should not extend to fires in underground mineral works.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 20th November, 1918, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 20th November, 1918.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
JAMES KELLY.
JOHN P. KINGHORN.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
PETER MACAUSLAN.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
Col. Sir ROBERT KING STEWART, K.B.E.
WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.
WILLIAM WILSON.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd October, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a draft scale of charges (Appendix), prepared by the County Firemaster, for the services of the Fire Brigade when attending fires outwith the County area, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. Draft scale of charges for services of County Fire Brigade.

The meeting, after consideration, unanimously approved of the draft scale of charges submitted, and instructed the Clerk to transmit a copy to any outside Authority who may desire that the services of the County Fire Brigade should be made available within its area.

On the recommendation of the County Firemaster, the meeting agreed that the retaining fee paid to the officers in charge of the five principal fire stations, viz.:—Bishopbriggs, Larkhall, Lanark, Bellshill, and Cambuslang, should be increased from 4s. per week to 5s. per week, and that, when attending fires, they should be paid 5s. for the first hour instead of 4s., and 2s. 6d. for the second and subsequent hours instead of 2s. Retaining fee to officers in charge of principal fire stations.

There was submitted to the meeting the following letter from the County Firemaster, regarding the question of the purchase of a new fire-engine pump, viz.:— Proposed purchase of new fire-engine pump.

"Chief Constable's Office,
"Hamilton, N.B., November 18th, 1918.

"GENTLEMEN,

* * * * * * * * * *

"Since my last report I have seen a Morris 4-cylinder pump at Edinburgh. The results were quite satisfactory.

"I have also been to Messrs. Dennis' works at Guildford, and saw a 4-cylinder pump working there. I went down to see this engine, owing to accounts I had received of excessive vibration when pumping at certain

pressures. The pump I saw at Guildford seemed to be perfectly efficient, and I cannot say that the vibration seemed to me so excessive as to be detrimental. I noticed that Messrs. Dennis had replaced rivets in certain parts of the frame with nuts and bolts, and the Manager informed me they had done this owing to complaints they had that rivets occasionally loosened. This was exactly what I complained of in the Rutherglen Engine.

"I submit tenders both from Messrs. Morris and from Messrs. Dennis for a 4-cylinder 60 h.p. pump. The Morris tender is £1,575, including a first-aid pump, which I do not think is required. The Dennis tender is for an engine without the first aid pump, and comes to £1,265. A sum of £50 may be deducted from the Morris tender in respect of the first aid pump not required.

"I am, GENTLEMAN,

"Your obedient Servant,

"H. J. DESPARD, *Captain.*
"*Chief Constable.*"

The County Firemaster having stated that, in view of the altered circumstances occasioned by the cessation of hostilities, it might now be possible to obtain a 75 h.p. Dennis engine instead of one of 60 h.p., he was instructed to ascertain the cost of a 75 h.p. engine, and also the date when it could be delivered, and to report to a future meeting of the committee.

Letter from Messrs. Allan, Whyte, & Co., regarding arrangement with Glasgow Corporation.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting the following letter, which he had received from Messrs. Allan, Whyte, & Co., Clyde Patent Wire Rope Works, Rutherglen, viz.:—

"Clyde Patent Wire Rope Works,
"Rutherglen,
"Glasgow, 28th October, 1918.

"SIR THOS. MUNRO,
"County Clerk,
"Lanark County Council,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"We duly received your letter of the 24th instant, sending us a print of a minute which embodies the arrangement come to between the Corporation of Glasgow and your County Council regarding the attendance at fires in the County area. We have perused the minute very carefully, and are sorry to have to inform you that the agreement which the County Council appear to have come to with the Glasgow Corporation scarcely meets our point. Our contention is that there does not appear to us to be any valid reasons why we, as ratepayers in the County area, should be prevented from calling on the assistance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade in the event of a serious fire at our works, as, should an outbreak assume alarming propensities, we should have no hesitation in calling on the assistance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade, and undertaking to pay their charges, should the County Council Fire Brigade, in our opinion, not be capable of coping with the catastrophe. Now, your agreement clearly states that the Glasgow Fire Brigade shall not attend any fire in the County area unless called by a County official. The effect of this condition appears to us to be that the assistance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade can only be called at the discretion of a County official. This is not satisfactory to us, and we do not see why the County Council should not come to a special arrangement with the Glasgow Fire Brigade, whereby the latter

body would be willing to attend a fire at our works here and give whatever assistance lies in their power, so long as we are willing to give you an undertaking to the effect that we shall be responsible for the charges of the Glasgow Fire Brigade. The value of the buildings and contents of our works here has now reached a very large figure, and the question which forms the subject of the correspondence now passing between us is of vital importance to our firm, and we hope you appreciate the attitude we take up. But for the assistance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade at the recent fire at our works, the whole premises might have become involved, and it is in view of what our partners here witnessed themselves that we are desirous that nothing should be put in our way to prevent us having the assistance of the Glasgow Fire Brigade should the necessity arise.

"Yours faithfully,

"ALLAN, WHYTE, & CO."

The meeting, after consideration, expressed the view that the question of an arrangement such as that indicated by Messrs. Allan, Whyte, & Co. was a matter which rested entirely between them and the Corporation of the City of Glasgow; but that if any such agreement were arrived at, it must be clearly understood that where a call was made by them to the City Authorities all charges made by the Glasgow Corporation in respect of the attendance of their Fire Brigade would fall to be borne by the Company.

Wages of mechanics.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that the chairman and Sir Robert King Stewart, after receiving information as to the wages paid to mechanics employed in connection with the City of Glasgow Fire Brigade, had agreed that the wages which should be paid to the mechanics employed in connection with the County Fire Brigade be £3 10s. per week. The meeting approved, and agreed that the increased rate of pay should take effect as from 14th July last.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

DRAFT SCALE of CHARGES for SERVICES of FIRE BRIGADE when attending Fires outwith the area served by the County Fire Brigade, excluding the Burgh of Rutherglen.

Attendance of Firemaster,	£3 0 0
Attendance of other Officers,	1 10 0

	First Hour.	Second and succeeding Hours.
Attendance of Motors, each,	60/-	60/-
Services of Motor Mechanic,	4/-	2/-
Services of Officer in charge,	5/-	2/6
Services of Firemen, each,	4/-	2/-
Charge for Cleaning Engine, &c.,	10/-	
Petrol, Oil, and Grease,	Actual Cost.	
For ordinary tear and wear of Motor and equipment,	100 per cent. on total charges.	

NOTE.—In the event of damage to motor or equipment beyond ordinary tear and wear, the actual cost of making good the damage will also be charged.

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SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 23rd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction after the War. 23rd October, 1918.

Present—

William K. Jackson. Andrew M'Anulty.
Peter MacAuslan. James C. Pollok.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S.

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the sub-committee, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Remit to sub-committee.

"The meeting having discussed the question of rural development "generally, suggestions were made for the improvement of the highways "and for the construction of light railways in certain districts of the "County. The Clerk also reminded the meeting of the proposal for the "construction of a light railway in the Clyde Valley, which the County "Council in 1914 had under consideration, but which, owing to the out-"break of war, was postponed.

"The meeting, being agreed that the question of rural development "was one of great importance, and deserved the earnest attention of the "County Council, appointed the following sub-committee to further con-"sider and report upon the matter, particularly in connection with the "question of road improvements and the construction of light railways, "viz.:—

"John Adam. Andrew M'Anulty.
"James Cameron. Peter MacAuslan.
"Walter C. B. Christie. James C. Pollok.
"William K. Jackson. Joseph Sullivan.
"Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

"Sir Robert King Stewart to be chairman, and three a quorum."

Proposed light railways.

The meeting having resumed consideration of the remit, the Clerk submitted a plan which he had received from Mr. James C. Pollok showing a proposed light railway from Glasgow to Strathaven, by way of Carmunnock, East Kilbride, and Chapelton. The meeting, having inspected the plan, expressed the opinion that the construction of such a railway would be of immense service in developing the district, which was not only agricultural in character, but was believed to contain minerals of considerable value and extent. In addition to the line suggested, it was agreed that it would be of still further advantage if branch lines were constructed from Chapelton to Eaglesham and Mearns, and from Strathaven to Muirkirk.

Suggested road improvements.

With reference to the question of road improvements, the meeting, having regard to the fact that at the present time all through-going traffic from Glasgow to the south was over the main Glasgow and Carlisle Highway, through the populous towns of Cambuslang, Blantyre, and Hamilton, were agreed that it would greatly relieve the congestion if an alternative route could be provided, and in the opinion of the Committee this could be done by an improvement of the main road from Strathaven by way of Sandford to its junction with the Glasgow and Carlisle Highway at Kirkmuirhill, the road from Strathaven to Cambuslang, by way of Chapelton and East Kilbride, being in fairly good condition.

The meeting continued the matter for further consideration, and meantime instructed the Clerk to have the suggested railway and road improvement laid down on a map.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

27th November, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 27th November, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction.

Present—

John Adam.
James Cameron.
William K. Jackson.
James C. Pollok.
Peter MacAuslan.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.
A. W. Paterson, Clerk to Upper Ward District Committee.
Robert Spittal and James Watson, Road Surveyors in Middle Ward District.

Chairman.

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 23rd October, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the sub-committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Map submitted showing proposed light railway and road improvement.

The Clerk laid upon the table a map of the County, on which were shown the routes of the proposed light railways, and also of the road improvement suggested at the last meeting.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed that it would be desirable that the members of the sub-committee should have an apportunity of inspecting the route of the proposed railway, and remitted to the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements. The Clerk was, at the same time, instructed to request Mr. Warren, of Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E., to accompany the members of the sub-committee, for the purpose of advising them as to the practicability of the scheme from an engineering point of view. Proposed inspection of route of light railway.

Mr. Sullivan, having called the attention of the meeting to the want of travelling facilities in the Shotts district, suggested that there should be constructed a light railway from the North British Railway, at Westeraigs or West Benhar, to connect with the Caledonian Railway at Shotts. The meeting continued this proposal for further consideration. Railway facilities in Shotts district.

The meeting also, with a view to affording additional and cheaper transport facilities in the Clyde Valley, considered a proposal that the River Clyde might be canalized, and it was remitted to the Clerk to ascertain whether the project had been seriously considered, either by the Corporation of Glasgow or by the Clyde Trustees, and to report. Proposal to canalize River Clyde.

The meeting further agreed that the several Road Surveyors should be requested to submit any recommendation they had to make for the widening and improving of highways, or for the construction of new highways within their respective districts. Road Surveyors requested to submit recommendations.

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PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 23rd October, 1918, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 23rd October, 1918.

Present—

J. A. Beattie.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

In the absence, at the commencement of the meeting, of Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, who was temporarily detained at another meeting, Mr. Shanks was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee at last meeting, steps had been taken to have the question of rating reopened on the Report stage of the Education (Scotland) Bill. An amendment, which had been adjusted by the Clerk with ex-Provost Keith, on behalf of the Convention of Royal Burghs, had been put down by Mr. Pringle, and the Scottish members had been asked to support it by the Association of County Councils, while the County members had been approached individually by the Clerk. On the Report stage being taken on Tuesday, 15th current, the amendment had been ruled incompetent. The Bill, however, had, on the following day, been recommitted to allow of a Government amendment being introduced, and advantage had been taken of this opportunity by Mr. Pringle to have his amendment put before the House. After considerable discussion, the amendment had been defeated by 130 votes to 75. The large majority against the amendment was undoubtedly due to the Government having put on the Whips. — Education (Scotland) Bill.—Proceedings on Report stage.

At this stage Mr. Fraser entered the meeting.

In accordance with the view expressed by the County Council at their meeting on 10th current, the Clerk had also addressed to the Scottish Office a representation in favour of the Bill being amended to include a guarantee that the State contribution to the funds of the Local Authorities in Scotland should in no case be less than 50 per cent. of their approved expenditure.

The committee, having heard the Clerk's report, were of opinion that everything possible had been done to give effect to the County Council's views, and instructed the Clerk to write to Mr. Pringle, conveying an expression of their thanks to him for the valuable services which he had rendered in connection with the Bill, and of their appreciation of the able manner in which he had advocated the County Council's views before both the Grand Committee and the House of Commons.

Lanarkshire Tramways.—Letter from General Manager.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. Moller, manager of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, of date 13th ultimo, acknowledging the Clerk's letter to him communicating the views expressed by the committee at their meeting on 4th current. Mr. Moller asked to be put in possession of facts in support of the complaint that the public using the tramways were exposed to considerable risk of accident, and suggested that, if the County Council were of opinion that ground existed for certain statements made at the committee's meeting, it was their duty to lay the matter before the Board of Trade. Cases of fast driving he admitted to have occurred, in spite of Inspectors being on the road to look after this in particular, and Mr. Moller stated that he would be glad if the Police would also report any instances of this coming under their notice. Mr. Moller further contended that, looking to the trouble with mineral workings and the difficulties of procuring efficient labour and adequate supplies of suitable material, the track was on the whole in good condition. The committee, having heard the letter read, and having been informed by members of the committee that the Company were engaged on repairs to the track at places which had been particularly complained of, resolved to continue consideration of the matter to see the result of the operations which Mr. Moller had undertaken to carry out.

Proposed bye-law.

Consideration of the proposed bye-law regarding the collection of tramway fares was resumed, when the Clerk submitted a short Memorandum (Appendix) giving the result of inquiries which he had made as to the bye-laws in force on other tramway systems. Having considered the information submitted by the Clerk, the committee unanimously agreed that it was not expedient that the proposed bye-law should be made, and instructed the Clerk to intimate their opinion to the Board of Trade.

Returning Burgh for Lanarkshire Parliamentary constituencies.

The attention of the committee was drawn to the fact that the Secretary for Scotland had recently issued an Order determining that, for the purpose of Parliamentary elections under the Representation of the People (Scotland) Act, 1918, Glasgow should be the Returning Burgh for all the Lanarkshire constituencies. On the motion of Mr. Lambie, it was agreed to represent to the Secretary for Scotland that, for the Hamilton and Motherwell Divisions, the most convenient Returning Burgh would be Hamilton, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

APPENDIX.

MEMORANDUM AS TO BYE-LAWS IN FORCE ON VARIOUS TRAMWAY SYSTEMS REGARDING PAYMENT OF FARES.

The following Tramway Undertakings have adopted a bye-law similar to or having the effect of that proposed by the Lanarkshire Tramways Company:—

Croydon,
Liverpool,
London United,
South Metropolitan,
West Ham.

The following Tramway Undertakings have no special bye-law on the subject, or one similar to the existing bye-law of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company:—

Aberdeen,
Ayr,
Dundee,
Edinburgh and District,
Glasgow,
Greenock and Port-Glasgow,
Leeds,
Manchester,
Paisley.

Dundee, Manchester, and Paisley appear to rely on the provisions of Section 51 of the Tramways Act, 1870, which are as follows:—

"If any person travelling or having travelled in any carriage on any tramway avoids or attempts to avoid payment of his fare, or if any person having paid his fare for a certain distance knowingly and wilfully proceeds in any such carriage beyond such distance, and does not pay the additional fare for the additional distance, or attempts to avoid payment thereof, and if any person knowingly and wilfully refuses or neglects on arriving at the point to which he had paid his fare to quit such carriage, every such person shall, for every such offence, be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings."

Ayr, Glasgow, and Leeds approve of the proposed bye-law, and Paisley also seems to approve.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 21st October, 1918.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 6th November, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 6th November, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.	William Love.
William Barr.	Adam D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
William L. Dyer.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
George Fraser.	
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	John Train.

Attending for the purposes of the item of business relating to the disposal of the balance of the £1,000 voted by the County Council for the assistance of British prisoners of war—

John Campbell.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 2nd October, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £71,070 14s. 10d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Lambie and Mr. Mack. Accounts and requisitions.

Under reference to (1) the resolution of the County Council, of date 5th June, 1918, voting from their share of the Equivalent Grant a sum of £1,000 for the benefit of British prisoners of war, to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men; and (2) the minutes of meetings of this committee, of dates 3rd July, 1918, and 7th August, 1918, allocating proportionately £495 thereof among the Regimental Care Committees of the several units represented on a list of men in captivity prepared by the Clerk from information supplied by these Care Committees, or otherwise obtained by him through the medium of public notices in local newspapers: the meeting proceeded to County Council's grant towards Prisoners of War Relief.—Allocation of second moiety.

consider as to the allocation of the balance of the grant in hand, and, as relative to the matter, the Clerk submitted and read two communications recently received by him, one from a Regimental Care Committee inquiring whether any further assistance could be given, the other drawing attention to a special case. After a short discussion, it became the unanimous finding of the meeting that all the circumstances would be best met by repeating the previous allocation *simpliciter*, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 2ND NOVEMBER, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,539,405	2 9
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£41,627 17 9		
Loans repaid do., ...	32,295 16 11		
		9,332	0 10
		£1,548,737	3 7
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		25,391	1 1
		£1,574,128	4 8

The County Fund stands at £9,446 2s. to the credit, made up as follows, viz.:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£10,000	0 0
Less Bank overdraft, ...	553	18 0
	£9,446	2 0

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Certificates of accuracy of bank accounts for years ending 14th October, 1916, and 13th October, 1917.

Forms of certificate of the accuracy of the County Council's bank account, as at the date of the Royal Bank's balance on 14th October, 1916, and 13th October, 1917, were submitted, and the meeting, having been advised by the Clerk that they were in order and were the Bank's authority to deliver up the cheques cashed by the Bank for the years ending on these dates, authorised the Chairman and Mr. Lambie to sign the certificates and the Clerk to countersign.

Middle Ward Water requisition.

There was laid before the meeting the undernoted requisition by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking:—

Camps Scheme, dated 25th October, 1918, £3,471 18 6

Equivalent Grant. — Secretary for Scotland's approval to County Council's contributions.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting, the Clerk laid upon the table letter from the Secretary for Scotland, of date 15th October, 1918,

approving of the following contributions being made from the share of the Equivalent Grant paid to the County Council in the current year, viz.:—

(1) £100 towards assisting in the training of nurses to be employed in the County by the Scottish Branch of Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

(2) £50 towards the funds of the Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, which is affiliated to the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

(3) £100 to the funds of the Glasgow Veterinary College.

(4) £25 to the funds of the Motherwell Public Library.

(5) £1,000 towards the cost of providing Homes or Hostels in Lanarkshire for disabled sailors and soldiers, or, in otherwise, making provision for disabled sailors and soldiers. (Consent given on the understanding that the Homes or Hostels assisted are intended primarily for Lanarkshire men.)

(6) £9 15s. 6d. being estimated maintenance charges for the lighting of main roads in the Lower Ward, 1918-19.

The Clerk also submitted—

Communication from Scottish Office recommending claims of ex-service men to be employed in the public service.

(1) A circular letter from the Scottish Office, of date 16th October, 1918, drawing attention to the Appointments Department that had been set up with the view to securing employment for ex-service men who are properly qualified for administrative and higher clerical posts, and, in certain cases, for technical posts in the public service, and suggesting that Local Authorities should, same as Government Departments, notify the Appointments Department (Headquarters, Balmoral Hotel, Edinburgh) of all suitable vacancies that arise.

Letter of thanks from Mr. Rintoul, County Auditor, for increase of £100 to his fee.

(2) Letter from Mr. Rintoul, County Auditor, thanking the County Council for the increase of £100 proposed to be made to his fee, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland.

Naval and Military War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act, 1917.—Supplementary estimates for 1917-18 and estimates for 1918-19 approved by Secretary for Scotland.

(3) Letter from the Scottish Office, of date 29th October, 1918, approving in accordance with Section 1 (2) of the War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act, 1917, of (1) the supplementary estimate of administrative expenses of the County Local Committee for the period ended 31st March, 1918, as submitted by the County Council at a total of £360 19s. 6d., raising the total approved estimate for the period to £4,440 19s. 6d.; and (2) the estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1919, as submitted by the County Council at a total of £7,507.

Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony.—Consent of Treasury to the borrowing of a further sum of £64,062 7s. 2d

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 3rd July, 1918, instructing an application to be made to the Treasury, in terms of the Restriction of Buildings Order, 1916, for consent to the County Council borrowing a further sum of £64,062 7s. 2d. to meet extra expenditure for the purpose of Hairmyres Sanatorium and Farm Colony, the Clerk submitted and read letter from the Scottish Office, of date 2nd October, 1918, transmitting copy letter from the Treasury, dated 30th September, 1918, sanctioning the borrowing of the sum in question on the understanding that the building of the block of cottages at the Farm Colony are being postponed (except for the expenditure of £500 stated to be already incurred), and adding that this Treasury consent is not to be taken as prejudging in any way the question of assistance from the Exchequer for the Institution.

Letter from District Clerk of Middle Ward as relative thereto.

As relative to the foregoing, the Clerk submitted also, and read letter from the District Clerk of the Middle Ward, of date 30th October, 1918, intimating that his committee accepted the position as stated by the Treasury, on the understanding, of course, that it will be open to them at the proper time to maintain that they are entitled to the full measure of assistance from the Exchequer in connection with the scheme.

Youthful offenders. — James Kerr, Carfin, and William Hamilton, New Stevenston.

The Clerk reported that, in terms of the Children Act, he had given guarantees in name of the County Council for the maintenance of two youthful offenders committed to Kibble Certified Reformatory School, viz.:—

(1) James Kerr, Carfin, convicted by the Justices at Hamilton of assault and breach of the peace and previous convictions.

(2) William Hamilton, New Stevenston, convicted by the Sheriff-Substitute at Hamilton of theft and theft by housebreaking.

The meeting approved.

Rates beyond statutory limit. — Consent of Local Government Board thereto.

Under reference to the County Council's estimates for the current year, the Clerk reported that the Local Government Board, under letters of date 19th September and 12th October, 1918, had intimated their approval of the rates in the undernoted districts being levied beyond the statutory limit:—

Carmunnock Drainage and Middle Ward Water,	3s. 7d.
Baillieston Scavenging, ...	0s. 11½d.
Bellshill Lighting and Scavenging, ...	1s. 2d.
Blantyre do. do.	1s. 1d.
Bothwell do. do.	0s. 11d.
Bothwell Park Lighting, ...	0s. 10d.
Cambuslang Lighting and Scavenging, ...	1s. 1½d.
Holytown do. do.	0s. 10½d.
Larkhall do. do.	0s. 11d.

Second Register of Voters.—Requisitions by Registration Officers for payment to account of expenses.

Requisitions by Registration Officers, Mr. G. W. Hare and Mr. S. D. Easton, for £50 and £150 on account of the expenses of the second Register of Voters were passed for payment.

Lands Valuation Appeals to Court of Session. — Assessors to be represented by counsel.

Etna Iron Company.

On the application of Mr. Hare, Lands Valuation Assessor, for the Parish of Dalziel, it was agreed that he should be represented by Counsel before the Lands Valuation Judges in the stated case taken by the Etna Iron and Steel Company, Ltd., against the decision of the Lands Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward.

Mrs. E. Bowen.

A similar decision was arrived at in the application by Mr. Easton, Lands Valuation Assessor for the Parish of Biggar, in the stated case taken by Mrs. E. Bowen against the decision of the Lands Valuation Committee for the Upper Ward.

Chairman and Clerk to select counsel.

It was remitted to the Chairman and Clerk to select Counsel in both cases.

Agreed that for another year the County Council Handbook should not be printed.

The meeting having been reminded that the County Council Handbook had, on the recommendation of this committee, not been printed for the year 1918, and instructions having been asked as to the intention for the year 1919, the meeting, by a majority, were of opinion that the Handbook should be again discontinued, and resolved to recommend to the County Council accordingly.

The Clerk explained the circumstances under which he had had the Assessment Roll of the Parish Council of Shotts, for the current year, made up in his office. The meeting approved, and authorised him to limit the charge therefor to the actual cost to the County, which the Clerk stated was £7 10s. Assessment Roll of Parish Council of Shotts.

Mr. Dyer gave notice that, at next meeting, he would draw attention to the cost of County Administration, and make a motion thereanent. Cost of County Administration.—Notice of motion by Mr. Dyer.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th December, 1918, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th December, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
William Barr.	Alexander Pillans.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William L. Dyer.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	William B. Thomson.
William Love.	

John Train.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 6th November, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting of this committee, authorising the allocation of the second moiety of the £1,000 voted by the County Council for the benefit of British Prisoners of War, to be spent primarily on Lanarkshire men, the Clerk reported that, as the Armistice had followed before the payments were made, and public intimation had been given that no more parcels should be sent to Germany, he had, after consulting the chairman, refrained from doing anything further in the matter. The meeting approved, and thereafter a discussion ensued as to how the sum in hand could best be used, having regard to the purpose for which it had been voted. Various suggestions having been made, it was ultimately agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk. County Council's grant towards Prisoners of War Relief.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £118,285 5s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. A. D. Mack and Mr. Robert Lambie. Accounts and requisitions.

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER, 1918.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,548,737	3 7
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£132,090 10 4		
Loans repaid since last meeting. ...	97,079 1 5		
		35,011	8 11
		£1,583,748	12 6
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		8,417	12 11
		£1,592,166	5 5

The County Fund stands at £23,947 8s. 5d. to the credit.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Middle Ward water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting the undernoted requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking:—

Camps Scheme, dated 12th November, 1918—£20 0s. 10d.
Do. dated 29th November, 1918—£1,768 4s. 5d.

Deputations to London. — Middle Ward District Committee. — Expenditure from 15th May, 1917, to November, 1917.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 7th November, 1917, adopting under the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 1906, the expenditure incurred by the District Committee of the Middle Ward on deputations to London for the year to 15th May, 1917, there was submitted and read a letter from Mr. W. E. Whyte, District Clerk of the Middle Ward, of date 11th November, 1918, asking that the expenditure incurred from 15th May, 1917, to November, 1917, amounting, as per details submitted, to £136 0s. 4d., should be similarly adopted.

Expenditure adopted under Secretary for Scotland's Regulations.

The meeting, after an explanation that, as from November, 1917, the consent of the County Council was being obtained at the time of the appointment of each deputation, agreed to adopt the expenditure in question in so far as it conformed to the Regulations, and remitted to the Clerk to arrange accordingly.

Equivalent Grant. — Application by the Upper Ward District Committee for payment of expenses of representatives attending meetings of the Association of District Committees.

On the application of the District Committee of the Upper Ward, it was agreed to recommend that, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, the expenses of representatives of that committee attending meetings of the Association of District Committees in Scotland should be defrayed out of the Upper Ward's share of the Equivalent Grant.

Naval and Military War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act, 1917.—Report of Local Committee, and supplementary estimate.

The Clerk laid upon the table Report by the County of Lanark Local War Pensions Committee, with relative Supplementary Estimate of Administrative Expenses for year to 31st March, 1919, a print of which had been sent to the members of this committee (Appendix).

Estimates approved.

After hearing explanations by the Clerk, it was agreed to recommend the Council (1) to approve the Supplementary Estimate as submitted; and (2) to instruct its transmission to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent, in terms of the Naval and Military War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act, 1917.

Recommendation that house in County Council's property in Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, be made available for Local War Pensions Committee after Whitsunday next.

The Clerk having drawn attention to the ever increasing demand for accommodation for the administrative work of the Local War Pensions Committee, and the meeting having considered the advisability of providing a separate office for the work, agreed to recommend that, if it were found necessary, the house in the County Council's property in Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, at present let to a tenant, should be made available as from Whitsunday next for this purpose.

Military Service Acts, 1916-18.

The Clerk having explained that the expenditure in connection with the administrative expenses of the Local Tribunals for the County under the Military Service Acts had exceeded the allowance made by the Government, he was instructed to lodge a claim with the National Service Department on the same basis as it was understood the Corporation of Glasgow were adopting under similar circumstances.

County Auditor.—Reappointment of Mr. Rintoul.

It was reported that the Secretary for Scotland had, under date 21st November, 1918, appointed by Mr. Peter Rintoul, C.A., Glasgow, to audit the accounts of the County Council (including the accounts of the District Committee) for the year ending 15th May next.

Staffing arrangements in County Clerk's office following on demobilisation of Forces.

In view of demobilisation of the Forces being now in sight, it was remitted to the following sub-committee to deal with the whole question of the staffing of the County Clerk's office, the Clerk being meantime authorised to make application for the early release of those members of his staff who would fall under the category of "pivotal" men:—

Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
William Love.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart.
William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum.

General Election.—Applications from Sheriff-Clerk agreed to for (1) use of County Council's rooms, and (2) stamping instruments and ballot boxes.

A request by the Sheriff-Clerk for the use of the County Council Rooms, County Buildings, Glasgow, for the two days following the nomination of candidates for the Parliamentary General Election was agreed to, as was also a request by him for the use at the election of the County Council's stamping instruments and ballot boxes, on the understanding that these would be returned in the same condition as received.

Application by Bellshill and Holytown Sub-Committee for use of J.P. Court Rooms at Bellshill as offices.

The following application, of date 28th November, 1918, by the Bellshill and Holytown Sub-Committee under the Naval and Military War Pensions Acts, for the use of the J.P. Court Rooms at Bellshill as offices, was submitted from Mrs. A. C. L. Wilson, the Clerk and Treasurer:—

"The sub-committee are very anxious that we apply for the use of the Court Rooms at Bellshill as offices, as the present rooms are so unsuitable, as we only have them for a limited time during the day, and can make no arrangement to interview discharged men in the evening, which is most suitable in many cases. Trusting you will obtain the necessary permission."

The meeting agreed to remit the application to the chairman of this committee, along with Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Campbell, the two local County Councillors for Bellshill.

Youthful offenders.—Robert Perrie, Larkhall, and Robert Anderson, Larkhall.

The Clerk reported that, in terms of the Children Act, he had given a guarantee in name of the County Council for the maintenance of two youthful offenders—Robert Perrie and Robert Anderson, both of Larkhall, committed by the Sheriff-Substitute at Hamilton to Kibble Certified Reformatory School for theft by housebreaking, with previous convictions.

Housing.—Letter from Lanarkshire Miners' County Union.

There was submitted and read a letter from the Secretary of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, of date 21st November, 1918, transmitting copy of a letter addressed by the Union to the Local Government Board, the Ministry of Munitions, the Scottish Office, and the War Cabinet, protesting against (1) the delay in providing houses for the working classes; and (2) the rents which are being charged for the houses which have already been built at the instigation of the Ministry of Munitions.

Cost of County administration.—Mr. Dyer's motion.

Mr. Dyer having made reference to the scope of his proposed motion dealing with County administration, the effect of which, he admitted, would be to raise questions involving the statutory constitution of County Councils and District Committees and their relationship to each other, the chairman stated that such a motion would, in his opinion, raise questions affecting the principle of local government which could not be competently raised in this committee, and he ruled accordingly.

Police pay. — New rates of pay approved by Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk reported that the Secretary for Scotland had, under date 13th November, 1918, approved of the adoption of the following revised rates of pay for the officers and constables of the Lanarkshire Constabulary as from 14th July last:—

CONSTABLES—

	Per week.
On appointment, ...	35/7
After 1 year's approved service, ...	36/9
„ 2 „ „	37/11
„ 3 „ „	39/1
„ 4 „ „	40/3
„ 5 „ „	41/5
„ 7 „ „	42/7
„ 9 „ „	43/9
„ 11 „ „	44/11
„ 13 „ „	46/1
„ 15 „ „	47/10

SERGEANTS—

	Per week.
On appointment, ...	49/7
After 1 years' approved service, ...	51/4
„ 2 „ „	53/1
„ 3 „ „	54/10
„ 4 „ „	56/7
„ 5 „ „	58/4

INSPECTORS—

	Per annum.
On appointment, ...	£180
After 1 years' approved service, ...	185
„ 2 „ „	190
„ 3 „ „	195
„ 4 „ „	200
„ 5 „ „	205

SUPERINTENDENTS—

	Per annum.
On appointment, ...	£260
After 2 years' approved service, ...	280
„ 4 „ „	300
„ 6 „ „	320
„ 8 „ „	340
„ 10 „ „	350

DEPUTY CHIEF CONSTABLE—

	Per annum.
On Appointment, ...	£350
After 1 years' approved service, ...	360
„ 2 „ „	370
„ 3 „ „	380
„ 4 „ „	390
„ 5 „ „	400
„ 6 „ „	410
„ 7 „ „	420
„ 8 „ „	430

WAR BONUSES—

	Per week.
Superintendents, ...	12/
Inspectors, Sergeants and Constables, ...	16/

Married members of these ranks to receive in addition 6d. a week for each child under 15 after the two eldest.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works:—

County Council.—Cambuslang Electricity Undertaking.

(1) £500 for cable, &c., for lighting of streets at Wellshot in connection with Ministry of Munitions Housing Scheme.

District of the Middle Ward.

(2) £250 for lamps and service pipes for public lighting at the North Road and Calder Road Housing Schemes, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, including, in the case of the County Council's application, (1) letter from the Ministry of Munitions that the execution of the work is necessary and should proceed, and (2) letter from the Secretary for Scotland approving under the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts of the borrowing of the sum required, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the application to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., Acts, 1915 and 1917.
Local Committee.

REPORT of the Special Sub-Committee on Administrative Expenses, prepared and submitted in terms of the remit to them as contained in the Minutes of the Finance Sub-Committee, of date 10th July, 1918.

The Special Sub-Committee have very fully considered the whole question of the amount of money required to meet the cost of the administration of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., Acts within the County, and they have in particular considered the question of the remuneration of the Clerks and Treasurers of the Local Sub-Committees and their staffs. The Special Sub-Committee met with representatives of the Sub-Committees for the Burghal and larger County Areas, together with their respective officials, and they now submit their recommendations.

Before proceeding to state their recommendations, it may not be inappropriate to refer briefly to the various development which have taken place since the constitution of the Local Committee.

The Local Committee was constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., Act, 1915, on 8th June, 1916.

By arrangement with the Statutory Committee, set up under the said Act, it was agreed that the existing organisations, viz., the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association and the Incorporated Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society should continue the work in Lanarkshire and the Burghs until 1st October, 1916, on which date it was anticipated that the Local Committee would be in a position to take over the duties entrusted to them under the Act.

By the date in question, the arrangements of the Local Committee were completed and Local Sub-Committees—twenty in number—were constituted, each Sub-Committee with a Clerk and Treasurer approved by the Local Committee.

These appointments were as follows:—

(A) *Appointments made from the existing Officials of the Soldiers and Sailors' Families Association.*

District. No.		
3.	Carluke, - - -	S. Hamilton, *Treasurer.* (now retired.)
4.	Lesmahagow, - -	Robert H. Rule (*deceased*).
6.	Bellshill and Holytown,	Gavin Blackie. (now retired.)
7.	Bothwell and Uddingston,	William Duncan. (now retired.)
8.	Airdrie, - - -	Mrs. Simpson.
9.	Coatbridge, - -	Robert Hamilton. (now retired.)
14.	Blantyre, - - -	William Wilson. (now retired.)
15.	Cambuslang, - -	William Sutherland.
16.	Wishaw, - - -	A. G. Stewart, *Clerk.* Wm. Lindsay, *Treasurer.*
17.	Motherwell, - -	George S. M'Nairn.
18.	Shotts, - - -	William N. Gibb. (now retired.)

(B) *New Appointments.*

District. No.		
1.	Biggar, - - -	Thos. C. Grieve.
2.	Forth and Carnwath, -	David Sheriff. (now retired.)
3.	Carluke, - - -	E. N. Ferguson, *Clerk.* (now retired.)
5.	Lanark, - - -	John Skinner.
10.	East Kilbride, - -	Peter Chalmers.
11.	Strathaven, - -	Alexander Wilson.
12.	Larkhall, - - -	Colin Campbell.
13.	Hamilton, - - -	Walter Henderson. (now retired.)
19.	Cadder and Shettleston,	Thomas Philp.
20.	Rutherglen, - -	Donald M. Muir.

From the foregoing lists it will be observed that out of 12 officials of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association who were appointed originally only 4 are now acting, and that of the 10 officials appointed, who were new to the work, 7 are still in office: that is, out of a total of 22 officials appointed as at 1st October, 1916, 11 are still acting, while 10 have retired and 1 has died.

The following is a list of the present officials of the 21 Sub-Committees; the Biggar Area having been divided into two areas, namely, (1) Biggar and (2) Abington :—

Part Time Officials.

Abington, - -	Edward Kerr, - -	Parish Council Clerk.
Biggar, - - -	Thos. C. Grieve, - -	Bank Agent.
Forth and Carnwath,	James Delday, - -	Schoolmaster.
Carluke, - - -	*Clerkship*—Vacant, -	——
	Treasurer—	
	Daniel M'Lean, - -	Solicitor.
Lesmahagow, - -	Vacant, - - -	——
Lanark, - - -	John Skinner, - -	Parish Council Clerk.
*Bothwell and Uddingston.	A. S. Hamilton, - -	Commercial Secretary
East Kilbride, - -	Peter Chalmers, - -	Parish Council Clerk.
Strathaven, - -	Alex. Wilson, - -	Do.
Larkhall, - - -	Colin Campbell, - -	Merchant.
Cambuslang, - -	Wm. Sutherland, - -	Bank Agent.
Wishaw, - - -	A. G. Stewart (*Clerk*),	Town-Clerk.
	Wm. Lindsay (*Treasurer*),	Burgh Chamberlain.
Motherwell, - -	George S. M'Nairn, -	Librarian.
*Shotts, - - -	John Dunn, - -	Schoolmaster.
Cadder and Shettleston,	Thos. Philp, - -	Solicitor.
Rutherglen, - -	Donald M. Muir, -	Burgh Chamberla

** Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Dunn have both intimated their intention to resign.*

Whole Time Officials.

Bellshill, - - -	Mrs. A. C. L. Wilson.
Coatbridge, - -	John Smith.
Hamilton, - -	J. Glen Boyd.
Blantyre, - - -	J. A. Robertson.

Honorary Official.

Airdrie, - - -	Mrs. J. N. Simpson.

When these appointments were made, it was understood that, in the first instance, the work, being to some extent a continuation of the work of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association and of the Incorporated Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society, should be regarded as voluntary work. It was recognised, however, that sooner or later, with the rapid development of the work, provision would require to be made for the reasonable remuneration of those officials who were actively engaged in carrying out the duties.

Section 2 (10) of the 1915 Act (the principal Act) provides that " any expenses of a Local Committee (except so far as they may be paid by the Statutory Committee) shall be paid out of funds at the disposal of the Local Committee."

There were, however, no funds at the disposal of the Local Committee out of which expenses could be met, and Parliament having recognised that there was no real provision for meeting the administrative expenses, the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses), Act, 1916, was passed on 30th March of that year.

Section 2 (1) of that Act provides that :—" The Council of any County . . . for whose area a Local Committee has been established under the principal Act, *may* make such payments as they think fit towards the administrative expenses of any such Local Committee . . . "

This enactment did not carry matters much further, and it was early recognised by the Statutory Committee that some more definite provision was necessary. Revised Regulations were issued by the Statutory Committee in December, 1916, and the Instructions appended to the Regulations contained the following passages :—

" The manner in which expenses of administration should be " defrayed is primarily a matter for the Local Committee to decide. " The Local Committee may make application for a grant to the Council " of a County, &c., . . . such Councils having been granted power " by Act of Parliament to make payments towards the administrative " expenses of Local Committees."

" The Treasury have intimated their willingness to defray a " moiety of the local administrative expenses within a scale to be agreed " upon, and there is every reason to believe that the County Councils, " &c., concerned will be prepared to defray the other moiety."

" The question of the scale and the procedure to be applied is " now under consideration of the various parties concerned, and a " circular will be issued on the subject as soon as possible." .

" Local Committees will, of course, appreciate the importance of " securing the utmost economy in the local administration of the Act. " The Statutory Committee recognise how greatly the staffs of Local " Authorities are depleted at the present time, and the large amount of " work which they have to deal with. It is very desirable, however, that " there should be the closest co-operation between Local Authorities and " the Local Committees, and the Statutory Committee hope that it will " be possible for Local Committees to secure the services of the trained " officials of the Local Authority, particularly in connection with the " preparation and keeping of accounts."

" It will be recognised that there is, throughout the country, a " keen desire on the part of a large section of the community to render " voluntary service in connection with various forms of war work. A " great many voluntary workers have already gained valuable experience " in carrying out duties similar, in many respects, to those to be " performed by Local Committees, and, it is hoped, that the utmost use " will be made of their services where they are available."

" Pending arrangements for defraying administrative expenses in " the manner above referred to where there are no local funds available " for the purpose, the Local Committee may, as a temporary arrange- " ment, defray out of moneys advanced to them by the Statutory " Committee any necessary expenses for temporary clerical assistance, " printing, postage, stationery, &c., connected with the work under " Part II of the Regulations, provided that the approval of the Statutory " Committee is obtained as soon as possible to the estimated amount of " such expenses."

" In making their administrative arrangements, Local Committees " should bear in mind that the work of distributing allowances will only " be of a temporary character, and will cease when the war ends, or " soon afterwards."

It was under these conditions as regards the provision of money to meet administrative expenses that the work of the Local Committee and the Sub-Committees began and was carried on for many months. Economy was practised to the utmost, and it says a great deal for the voluntary workers that they were able to carry out so satisfactorily the very onerous clerical duties which daily increased, and especially the preparation and keeping of the extensive and complicated accounting records.

On 17th May, 1917, as the result of representations made to Parliament, the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Administrative Expenses), Act was passed, which made provision for the payment of administrative expenses in the proportion of two-thirds by the Treasury and one-third by the Local Authorities. An effort was made to induce the Government to pay the whole of the expenses, but this was not successful.

Under Regulations framed by the Secretary for Scotland, the Local Committee is required to prepare and submit to the County Council an estimate of the administrative expenses to be incurred by the Local Committee from 1st April to 31st March each year.

The First estimate was passed by the Local Committee on 19th July, 1917, and covered a period of 18 months, viz., from 1st October, 1916, the date of the constitution of the Local Sub-

Commitees, to 31st March, 1918, and amounted to -	£7,180	17	3
of which the Ministry of Pensions paid two-thirds, -	4,787	4	10
and the County Council and the Burghs paid one-third,	2,393	12	5

When the actual expenditure for the periodwas ascer tained, it was found that it exceeded the estimate by £360 19s. 6d., and a supplementary estimate was prepared and submitted in terms of Section I (2) of the Act on 5th June, 1918, and has now been approved by the Secretary for Scotland.

The Second estimate was prepared, and after approval by the Local Committee and the County Council was transmitted to the Secretary for Scotland.

It amounted to - - - - - - - - -	£7,507	0	0
the quota payable by the Ministry of Pensions being -	5,004	13	4
and that of the Local Authorities, - - - -	£2,502	6	8

The First estimate worked out at an annual rate of expenditure

of - - - - - - - - - - - -	£5,027	0	0
and the Second estimate, as shown above, - - -	7,507	0	0
being an increase of - - - - - - - -	£2,480	0	0

which is accounted for as follows:—

(A) *Headquarters Expenses.*

(1) Increase in clerical staff, - -	£583		
(2) Increase in other expenses, -	331		
	£914		

(B) *Sub-Committees Expenses.*

(1) Provision for whole time officer for Coatbridge Area, and for further clerical assistance to Local Sub-Clerks, - -	£549		
(2) Increase in other expenses, principally equipment of Local Sub-Offices, - -	1,017		
	1,566		
	£2,480	0	0

The great demand for men for the army in the years 1917 and 1918 caused an enormous increase in the applications from wives and dependants for supplementary separation allowances and for special and emergency grants. Further, early in 1917 the men disabled and broken in the first two years of the war began to be discharged in increasing numbers. The Royal Warrant of 29th March, 1917, contained provision for the treatment and training of men discharged, and the work connected therewith became urgent by the month of August, 1917.

In April, 1918, Part II Regulations were amended, and the effect of the issue of the new Regulations 7 (1) (*a*) and 7 (1) (*b*), under which a supplementary allowance could be given to the wife or dependants of a soldier towards his contractual obligations not exceeding 12s. a week, was to bring under the administration of the Local Committee a large number of cases which formerly had been dealt with by the Civil Liabilites Department. The Regulations also necessitated a revisal of all cases of wives and dependants who were in receipt of allowances for rent, either from the Lanarkshire War Relief Fund or the State Fund, the preparation of special S.1 Forms appropriate to the conditions of the new Regulations and the examination of documents produced by applicants, such as hire purchase agreements, in support of their applications for these allowances. Furthermore, the Royal Warrant and the amended Part II Regulations necessitated a revisal of the scheme of accounting, and the opportunity was taken to simplify and modify the original scheme.

The Committee are, no doubt, now familiar with the abstract statements of moneys received and paid, which are published for each quarter of the year after audit.

The abstract of accounts for the quarter to 31st December, 1916, the first period of the Local Committee's administration, contained headings of expenditure to the number of 22; by 31st December, 1917, the number had risen to 32; and at the present time there are now 58 different allocations or headings of expenditure under which the various grants made under the Royal Warrant and Regulations are shown.

At Headquarters the correspondence with the Ministry of Pensions and other Government Departments; the supervision of the work of the Local Sub-Committee; the consideration of applications requiring the approval of the Finance Sub-Committee and the Disablement Sub-Committee, including applications for alternative pensions, grants from the King's Fund, and appeals against invaliding

decisions, is not only heavy, but exacting work, and is continually increasing. Besides, there is a very large amount of work which is not reported, but which requires to be performed by the officials following up inquiries by the Ministry of Pensions. In short, the offices of the Local Committee and Sub-Committees are regarded as the media of communicating with the War Office, Admiralty, Ministry of Pensions, and other Government Departments on all questions relating to separation allowances, pensions, &c., and while, strictly speaking, many of the subjects of communication do not come within the province of the Committee or Sub-Committees, the officials are advised to give whatever assistance they can.

The immediate and chief reasons, however, apart from the increase of work consequent upon increased enlistments and the increase in the number of men discharged, which render it necessary to supplement the estimates which were prepared in June last, are due to the increase of work consequent upon (1) the transfer of the cases from the Civil Liabilites Department, already referred to; (2) the amendment of Part II Regulations 7 (1) (*a*) and 7 (1) (*b*), empowering Local Committees to make payments of rents in cases where the rents did not exceed 4s. per week; and (3) the further amendment of 7 (1) (*a*) by the substituting of the date 1st January, 1918, for 27th January, 1916, as the basis for calculating pre-enlistment income. Each of these changes really necessitated a revision of all cases to which the Regulations referred to applied, and, in a number of the districts, the work has not yet been overtaken mainly because of the want of adequate staff.

The Sub-Committee are satisfied that provision must now be made for whole time officers in certain districts where it has become impossible to carry on the work otherwise; that reasonable remuneration must be given to all officials actively engaged in carrying out the work, and that, where necessary, efficient and sufficient clerical assistance must be provided.

In these circumstances the Sub-Committee have revised the Estimate for year to 31st March, 1919, which now amounts to - - - - - - - - -	£10,945
The original Estimate for the year to 31st March, 1919, already referred to as the Second Estimate, amounted to - - - - - - - - - -	7,507
so that the proposed increase amounts to - - - -	£3,438

for which a Supplementary Estimate (see Appendix) will require to be submitted to the County Council and the Secretary for Scotland in terms of Section I. (Sub-Section 2) of the Act.

The increase in the Estimate is accounted for as follows:—

(1) Increase in Headquarters' expenses, including provision for an addition of five typists to the staff specially engaged for this work, and increased payment to the County Council in respect of the services of the County Clerk and his assistants as Clerk and Treasurer of the Local Committee, - -		£600
(2) Increase in Auditor's salary and allowances for clerical staff consequent upon increase in work necessitating additional staff specially engaged—estimated for remainder of year to 31st March, 1919, at - - - - -		53
(3) Increase in the expenses of the Sub-Committees made up as follows:—		
(*a*) Increase in salaries to existing Sub-Clerks and Treasurers, -	£603	
(*b*) Increase due to appointing certain whole-time officers, -	525	
(*c*) Increase in staffs—additional staff on account of increased work, - - - - -	921	
(*d*) New District formed—part-time officer, - - -	26	
	——	2,075
4)Increase in General Office expenses, *e.g.*, Printing, Stationery, Postages, &c.:—		
(*a*) At Headquarters, - - -	£530	
(*b*) In the Districts, - - -	180	
	——	710
		£3,438

The following statements show in abstract form the various Estimates submitted and the increase in the expenditure:—

	Estimate for year to 31st March, 1918.	Estimate for year to 31st March, 1919.	Revised Estimate Year to 31st March, 1919.
(A) *Headquarters.*			
(*a*) *Salaries.*			
(1) Office of Clerk and Treasurer, - - -	500	500	800
(2) Clerical Assistance, -	417	1,000	1,300
(3) Auditor, - - - -	367	367	420
(4) Special Officer, - -	—	250	250
(*b*) *Other Expenses.*			
Office Expenses, *e.g.*— Printing, Stationery, Postages, &c., -	989	1,070	1,600
	2,273	3,187	4,370

(B) *Sub-Committees.*			
(*a*) *Salaries* of Local Sub-Clerks, including clerical assistance, - - - - -	2,051	2,600	4,675
(*b*) *Other Expenses.*			
Office Expenses, &c., -	703	1,720	1,900
	2,754	4,320	6,575
Grand totals, -	5,027	7,507	10,945

The following statement shows the tentative proposals of the Sub-Committee with regard to the provision of adequate clerical staffs for the Local Sub-Committees and the remuneration of the local sub-clerks. In many cases additional clerical assistance will be required, and the amounts suggested are intended to cover the cost of such additional assistance, as well as the reasonable remuneration to the Clerk and Treasurer of the respective Sub-Committees :—

STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROPOSALS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES SUB-COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE CLERICAL STAFFS FOR THE LOCAL SUB-COMMITTEES AND THE REMUNERATION OF THE LOCAL SUB-CLERKS.

Population 1911 Census.	Areas.	Salaries as already approved by the Local Committee.	Notes regarding the cost of Staff, &c., as at the date hereof.	Proposals.	Notes.
I.—Smaller County Areas.					
3,977	East Kilbride,	£20		£30	
6,345	Strathaven, ...	30		30	
6,877	Biggar, ...	34		£30 & £30	District now divided into 2
8,499	Forth, ...	42		£60	areas
9,619	Carluke, ...	48		100	
11,990	Lesmahagow, ...	60		120	
13,219	Lanark, ...	66		80	
II.—Larger County Areas.					
16,821	Blantyre, ...	84	Whole-time Officer and Clerkess —cost, £225, ...	250	Difficult area to work
20,190	Shotts, ...	100		225	do.
20,896	Bothwell, ...	105		200	
22,317	Larkhall, ...	112		200	
24,103	Cadder, ...	120	Clerical assistance, £80. ...	210	
24,864	Cambuslang, ...	125	do., 145, ...	250	
33,315	Bellshill, ...	166	do., 90, ...	320	
	Carry forward,	£1,112	*Carry forward,*	£2,135	

Population 1911 Census.	Areas.	Salaries as already approved by the Local Committee.	Notes regarding the cost of Staff, &c., as at the date hereof.	Proposals.	Notes.
III.—Burghs.					
	Brought forward,	£1,112	*Brought forward,*	£2,135	
29,090	Rutherglen, ...	145	Clerical assistance, £145. ...	300	
36,848	Wishaw, ...	184	2 Officials, ...	300	
39,350	Airdrie, ...	196	Clerical assistance, £270, ...	420	Additional sum required to provide competent assistant to Mrs. Simpson, Hon. Secretary
42,256	Motherwell, ...	210	Clerical assistance, £170, ...	420	
46,419	Hamilton, ...	232	do., 180, ...	500	Whole-time officer appointed
61,026	Coatbridge, ...	450	Whole-time Officer and Staff—cost, £568, ...	600	
	Additional provision to meet contingencies,	71			
		£2,600	Total, say	£4,675	

These financial proposals are the considered judgment of the Sub-Committee, and are respectfully submitted as affording only reasonable provision for the carrying out of the important duties devolving upon the Local Committee and Sub-Committees, having regard to efficiency and the ever-increasing volume of work.

JAS. MOFFAT,
Chairman.

THOS. MUNRO,
Clerk to the Local Committee.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 20*th November*, 1918.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WAR PENSIONS, &c. (ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES), ACT, 1917.

I.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATE of Administrative Expenses of the County of Lanark Local Committee FOR YEAR TO 31st MARCH, 1919.

PART I.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF LOCAL COMMITTEE.

	Approved Estimate.	Rate per annum of actual cost at present.	Revised Estimate for year to 31st March, 1919.	Supplementary Estimate for approval.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(A) Staff Expenses of Local Committee.				
(*a*) Salaries—				
(1) Payment to the County Council in respect of the services of the County Clerk and his Assistants as Clerk and Treasurer of the Local Committee, ...	500 0 0	500 0 0	800 0 0	300 0 0
(2) Clerical Assistants—Typists and Clerkesses (13) whole time; actual staff (14); increase necessary (5); total staff estimated for (18), ...	1,000 0 0	1,100 0 0	1,300 0 0	300 0 0
(3) Auditor, including Assistants' Salaries, £286—actual cost in salaries as from 1st October, 1918, £336; increase proposed at rate of £100 per annum, say, £52 10/-, ...	367 10 0	367 10 0	420 0 0	52 10 0
(4) Special Officer in connection with training and employment of Discharged Disabled Men,	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	...
	2,117 10 0	2,217 10 0	2,770 0 0	652 10 0
(B) Office Expenses of Local Committee.				
Office Equipment, Books, Card Index Renewals, Cleaning, Lighting, and Heating, ...	220 0 0	100 0 0	220 0 0	...
(C) Members' Expenses.				
Travelling Expenses and Compensation for loss of Remunerative Time, ...	100 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0	80 0 0
(D) Other Expenses.				
Stationery, Printing, Postages, Telegrams, Telephone Calls, and Advertising, ...	750 0 0	1,200 0 0	1,200 0 0	450 0 0
	1,070 0 0	1,480 0 0	1,600 0 0	530 0 0

PART II.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE LOCAL SUB-COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR TO 31st MARCH, 1919.

	Approved Estimate.	Rate per annum of actual cost at present.	Revised Estimate for year to 31st March, 1919.	Supplementary Estimate for approval.
(A) Staff Expenses.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Name of Sub-Committee—				
1. Biggar,	34 0 0	34 0 0	30 0 0	4 0 0
2. Forth and Carnwath,	42 0 0	42 0 0	60 0 0	18 0 0
3. Carluke,	48 0 0	48 0 0	100 0 0	52 0 0
4. Lesmahagow,	60 0 0	60 0 0	120 0 0	60 0 0
5. Lanark,	66 0 0	66 0 0	80 0 0	14 0 0
6. Bellshill and Holytown,	166 0 0	166 0 0	320 0 0	154 0 0
7. Bothwell and Uddingston,	105 0 0	105 0 0	200 0 0	95 0 0
8. Airdrie,	196 0 0	270 0 0	420 0 0	224 0 0
9. Coatbridge,	450 0 0	568 0 0	600 0 0	150 0 0
10. East Kilbride,	20 0 0	20 0 0	30 0 0	10 0 0
11. Strathaven,	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	...
12. Larkhall,	112 0 0	112 0 0	200 0 0	88 0 0
13. Hamilton,	232 0 0	452 0 0	500 0 0	268 0 0
14. Blantyre,	84 0 0	225 0 0	250 0 0	166 0 0
15. Cambuslang,	125 0 0	145 0 0	250 0 0	125 0 0
16. Wishaw,	184 0 0	184 0 0	300 0 0	116 0 0
17. Motherwell,	210 0 0	210 0 0	420 0 0	210 0 0
18. Shotts,	100 0 0	100 0 0	225 0 0	125 0 0
19. Cadder and Shettleston,	120 0 0	120 0 0	210 0 0	90 0 0
20. Rutherglen,	145 0 0	145 0 0	300 0 0	155 0 0
21. Abington,	...	...	30 0 0	30 0 0
Additional provision to meet contingencies,	71 0 0	71 0 0	...	71 0 0
	2,600 0 0	3,173 0 0	4,675 0 0	2,075 0 0

	Approved Estimate.	Rate per annum of actual cost at present.	Revised Estimate for year to 31st March, 1919.	Supplementary Estimate for approval.
(B) Office Equipment, Printing, Advertising, and Stationery; Postages, Telegrams, and Telephone Calls; Miscellaneous.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Name of Sub-Committee—				
1. Biggar,	15 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	1 0 0
2. Forth and Carnwath,	30 0 0	33 0 0	33 0 0	3 0 0
3. Carluke,	30 0 0	33 0 0	33 0 0	3 0 0
4. Lesmahagow,	85 0 0	93 0 0	93 0 0	8 0 0
5. Lanark,	25 0 0	27 0 0	27 0 0	2 0 0
6. Bellshill and Holytown,	70 0 0	77 0 0	77 0 0	7 0 0
7. Bothwell and Uddingston,	212 0 0	233 0 0	233 0 0	21 0 0
8. Airdrie,	251 0 0	275 0 0	275 0 0	24 0 0
9. Coatbridge,	306 0 0	335 0 0	335 0 0	29 0 0
10. East Kilbride,	17 0 0	19 0 0	19 0 0	2 0 0
11. Strathaven,	12 0 0	13 0 0	13 0 0	1 0 0
12. Larkhall,	14 0 0	15 0 0	15 0 0	1 0 0
13. Hamilton,	110 0 0	121 0 0	121 0 0	11 0 0
14. Blantyre,	120 0 0	132 0 0	132 0 0	12 0 0
15. Cambuslang,	36 0 0	39 0 0	39 0 0	3 0 0
16. Wishaw,	25 0 0	27 0 0	27 0 0	2 0 0
17. Motherwell,	56 0 0	62 0 0	62 0 0	6 0 0
18. Shotts,	28 0 0	31 0 0	31 0 0	3 0 0
19. Cadder and Shettleston,	50 0 0	55 0 0	55 0 0	5 0 0
20. Rutherglen,	150 0 0	164 0 0	164 0 0	14 0 0
21. Abington,	...	15 0 0	15 0 0	15 0 0
Additional provision to meet contingencies,	78 0 0	85 0 0	85 0 0	7 0 0
	1,720 0 0	1,900 0 0	1,900 0 0	180 0 0

PART III.—SUMMARY

	Approved Estimate.	Rate per annum of actual cost at present.	Revised estimate for year to 31st March, 1919.	Supplementary estimate for approval.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Expenses of Local Committee.				
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	2,117 10 0	2,217 10 0	2,770 0 0	652 10 0
(B) Office Expenses, ...	220 0 0	100 0 0	220 0 0	...
(C) Members' Expenses, ...	100 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0	80 0 0
(D) Other Expenses, ...	750 0 0	1,200 0 0	1,200 0 0	450 0 0
...	3,187 10 0	3,697 10 0	4,370 0 0	1,182 10 0
Expenses of Sub-Committees.				
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	2,600 0 0	3,173 0 0	4,675 0 0	2,075 0 0
(B) Other Expenses, ...	1,720 0 0	1,900 0 0	1,900 0 0	180 0 0
	4,320 0 0	5,073 0 0	6,575 0 0	2,255 0 0
Grand Totals, ...	7,507 10 0	8,770 10 0	10,945 0 0	3,437 10 0

27th November, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO,
Clerk to the Local Committee.

The above Supplementary Estimate of £3,437 10s. was approved by the County Council of Lanark on the day of December, 1918.

December, 1918.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

ABSTRACT.

	Estimate for Year to 31st March, 1919.	Supplementary Estimate for Year to 31st March, 1919.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Expenses of Local Committee—			
(A) Staff Expenses, ...	2,117 0 0	652 10 0	2,769 10 0
(B) Office Expenses, ...	220 0 0	...	220 0 0
(C) Members' Expenses, ...	100 0 0	80 0 0	180 0 0
(D) Other Expenses, ...	750 0 0	450 0 0	1,200 0 0
	3,187 0 0	1,182 10 0	4,369 10 0
Expenses of Sub-Committees—			
(A) Staff Expenses— Remuneration of Local Clerks and Treasurers, including clerical assistance, ...	2,600 0 0	2,075 0 0	4,675 0 0
(B) Office Expenses, ...	845 0 0	180 0 0	1,900 0 0
(C) Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	279 0 0		
(D) Postages, Telegrams, and Telephone Calls, &c., ...	419 0 0		
(E) Miscellaneous, ...	177 0 0		
	4,320 0 0	2,255 0 0	6,575 0 0
Grand Total, ...	7,507 0 0	3,437 10 0	10,944 10 0
Deduct 2/3rds payable by H.M. Treasury, ...	5,004 13 4	2,291 13 4	7,296 6 8
leaving to be raised by Assessment, ...	2,502 6 8	1,145 16 8	3,648 3 4

as follows:—

County of Lanark—	Valuations.		Apportionment.
(1) Landward,	£2,048,345 0 0		
(2) Police Burghs,			
Biggar,	£7,695 0 0		
Motherwell,	230,832 0 0		
Wishaw,	100,708 0 0	£339,235 0 0	£2,387,580 0 0	£2,859 14 9
Royal and Parliamentary Burghs—			
Airdrie,	£98,917 0 0	...	118 9 7
Coatbridge,	222,850 0 0	...	266 18 5
Hamilton,	168,614 0 0	...	201 19 2
Lanark,	33,040 0 0	...	39 11 6
Rutherglen,	134,832 0 0	658,253 0 0	161 9 11
		£3,045,833 0 0	£3,648 3 4

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 27th November, 1918.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 27th November, 1918, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 27th November, 1918.

Present—

William Gardner.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Peter MacAuslan.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
David Thomson.
Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 11th September, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted the following communication which he had received from the County Medical Officer, viz.:— — Staffing.—Demobilisation.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 8th November, 1918.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Staffing.—Demobilisation.

"In view of the heavy arrears of work in the County and in the District Public Health Departments, I am anxious to know whether the Public Health Committee could make any arrangements for the demobilisation of the staff as soon as peace is declared. Dr. Scroggie, the Senior Assistant, is situated at Salonika. Dr. Richards is in Aberdeen, and Dr. Adam is in Howden, East Yorks. I have been in communication with these three medical members of the staff, and they are all willing to return to their posts, so I will be glad if any action can be taken by the County Council towards that end. There are a large number of Sanitary Inspectors, two Food Inspectors, also a considerable number of clerical staff, all of whom are more or less likely to return to duty.

"The committee might also consider the question of salaries to be paid. The only member of the medical staff on duty is Dr. Dick, who has £450 plus

5 per cent. of a war bonus. I presume that men who have been on military service will, on rejoining the staff, be given the same increases as those who have been on service at home.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

Staff salaries.

There was also submitted a statement prepared by the County Medical Officer with regard to staffing arrangements (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

The meeting, on a division, having decided to proceed to the consideration of the question of the salaries of the staff of the Public Health Department, resolved, after discussion, to recommend the County Council to grant the following increases, viz.:—

Dr. James R. Adam—salary, £400—increased to £500 per annum.

Dr. James T. Dick—salary, £400—increased to £500 per annum.

Dr. Robert Richards—salary, £400—increased to £500 per annum.

Walter Brown, Chemist—salary, £185—increased to £250 per annum.

Charles M'Ara, Food and Drugs, &c., Inspector—salary, £150—increased to £225 per annum.

Duncan J. Black, Food and Drugs, &c., Inspector—salary, £115—increased to £150 per annum.

Robert P. Gray, Clerk—salary, £90—increased to £150 per annum.

William J. Irons, Clerk—salary, £70—increased to £100 per annum.

Temporary appointment of Dr. James Johnstone as an Assistant Medical Officer.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the County Medical Officer reported that he had offered to engage the services of Dr. James Johnstone—so soon as he could be freed from his duties at Lightburn Joint-Hospital—as an Assistant Medical Officer of Health, to assist in the development of the Scheme of Maternity Service and Child Welfare, at a salary of £450 per annum, with the addition of a war bonus of 5 per cent., on the understanding that the appointment was of a temporary nature, and would be reconsidered when the other Assistant Medical Officers returned from military service, and that Dr. Johnstone had expressed his willingness to accept the appointment on these conditions. The meeting agreed to the appointment of Dr. Johnstone, and resolved that his salary be fixed at £500 per annum, as in the case of the other assistants above referred to.

It was agreed that the increases to the members of the staff presently on military service should take effect as from the date of their return to their civil duties, the increases in the other cases to take effect from 15th November.

It was further agreed that the war bonus presently payable to Dr. Dick and Dr. Johnstone should be discontinued as from 15th November, in view of the fact that their salaries had been increased.

Dr. Scroggie.

Dr. Wilson suggested that, with regard to Dr. Scroggie, who was meantime engaged on military service in Bulgaria, but who was expected to be released shortly, his position and salary might be considered at a later date.

Honorarium to County Medical Officer.

The meeting also agreed to recommend to the County Council that Dr. Wilson, the County Medical Officer, be granted an honorarium of £500 in respect of the additional work thrown upon him during the period of the war through the depletion of the staff.

Application to be made for release from military service of members of staff.

The meeting agreed that the County Medical Officer be instructed to make application to the Military Authorities for the release from military service of the several members of his staff.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS.

STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS.

Pre-War.	During the War.	Post-War.
County Medical Officer—		
Dr. John T. Wilson—Salary, £1,000.	Continued on duty. No change.	Desires to resign.
	Medical Staff.	
Tuberculosis Officers and Assistant Medical Officers of Health—		
Dr. Frank H. Scroggie—Salary, £400.	On military service. Presently Major, R.A.M.C. Received annual increments of £25, making his salary £500. Military pay exceeds civil pay.	May return to duty if remuneration satisfactory.
Upper Ward.		
Dr. James R. Adam—Salary, £300.	On military service. Presently Medical Officer in Royal Air Force. Received annual increments of £25, making his salary £400. Military pay exceeds civil pay.	Will not return to duty at present salary.
Middle Ward.		
Dr. John W. Miller—Salary £300.	Left the service 15th February, 1918. Received annual increments of £25, making his salary £400, plus 5 per cent. war bonus.	Vacancy.
Dr. James T. Dick—Salary £300.	Continued on duty, and received annual increments of £25, making his salary £400, plus 5 per cent war bonus.	Not likely to continue on duty at present salary.
Dr. Christina Barrowman—Salary £300.	Left the service early in the war.	Vacancy.
Lower Ward.		
Dr. Robert Richards—Salary £300.	On military service. Presently Captain R.A.M.C. Received annual increments of £25, making his salary £400. Military pay exceeds civil pay.	Will not return to duty at present salary.
Dr. James R. Johnstone.	Continued on duty as Resident Physician at Lightburn Hospital. Acted also as temporary Assistant Medical Officer of Health at a salary of £50.	

Pre-War.	During the War.	Post-War.
Maternity and Child Welfare Service—	Dr. James T. Dick. Salary £50, plus 5 per cent. war bonus. Dr. James R. Johnstone. Salary £50. Dr. Henry J. Thomson, temporary Medical Officer of Health. Salary £450.	Local Government Board recommend the appointment of two Medical Officers specially for this work.
Bacteriological Laboratory.		
Bacteriologist—		
Dr. J. Hume Patterson—Salary, £410.	On military service. Received annual increments of £10, making his salary £450, plus 5 per cent. war bonus.	On duty.
Assistant Bacteriologist—		
Thomas Stewart—Salary, £100.	Left the service 15th October, 1918. Salary then £150.	
Clerk—		
Thomas Russell—Salary, £45.	On military Service. Present salary, £80.	May return to duty.
Chemical Laboratory.		
Chemist—		
Walter Brown, Jr.—Salary, £185.	On military service. Present salary, £185.	May return to duty.
Food and Drugs, Rivers Pollution, &c., Staff.		
Inspectors—		
Robert M'Naughton—Salary, £160.	Died July, 1915.	Vacancy.
Frank M'Arthur—Salary, £150.	Was on military service. Present salary, £225.	On duty.
Charles M'Ara—Salary, £150.	On military service. Present salary, £150.	May return to duty.
Duncan J. Black—Salary, £115.	On military service. Present salary, £115.	May return to duty.
Clerical Staff.		
Clerks—John H. Lindsay—Salary, £130.	Continued on duty. Present salary, £150.	Desires to resign.
Robert P. Gray—Salary, £90.	On military service. Present salary, £90.	May return to duty.
Althol Williamson—Salary, £60.	On military service. Salary increased to £70.	Will not return to duty.
Wm. J. Irons—Salary, £30.	On military service. Salary increased to £70.	May return to duty.
Temporary Staff appointed during the War.		
Assistant Medical Officers of Health.—		
Dr James R. Johnstone. Dr. Henry J. Thomson.	See details of appointments under "Staffing Arrangements."	
Bacteriological Laboratory.—		
Roy Sutherland—Salary, £60. Edward Smellie—Salary, £52, plus 3s. a week war bonus. Hugh M'Beth—Salary, £26. Peter Morrison—Salary, £26.	Now on military service.	
Food and Drugs, &c.—		
Mrs. Agnes M'Arthur.	Salary, £120.	Will resign.
Mrs. Helen Walker.	Salary, £100.	Will resign.
Clerical Staff.—		
Jennie Chalmers.	Salary, £65, plus 3s. a week war bonus.	
Mary Stewart.	Salary, £50, plus 3s. a week war bonus.	
Jeanie Stewart.	Salary, £26.	

J. T. W.

County Public Health Department,
County Offices, Hamilton, *25th November*, 1918.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *24th February, 1919.*

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a GENERAL MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL, to be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 5th proximo, at Two o'clock afternoon*, for the purpose of considering and disposing of Reports and Minutes of Committees, of which copies will be sent to you before the date of meeting, and for transacting any other competent business.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 11th December, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. William L. Dyer, countersigned by Mr. William B. Thomson:—"That a Committee be appointed to consider whether, having regard to efficiency and economy of administration, any alteration can and should be made upon the system set up by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, under which the County of Lanark is presently administered, and to report."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT,
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW,
(Entrance by 40 Wilson Street),

On WEDNESDAY, 5th MARCH, 1919,

At Two o'Clock Afternoon.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.
2. Sederunt to be taken.
3. Notice of Meeting to be read.
4. Minutes of Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 11th December, 1918.
5. Letters from Mr. Alexander A. Keith and Mr. T. H. Paterson, each intimating acceptance of office as a Member of the County Council.
6. Representation of the People Act, 1918. Instruct Registration Officers regarding preparation of Register of Voters for Local Government Elections.
7. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.
8. Report by County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for quarter ending 31st December, 1918.

9. Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906. No samples submitted for analysis during quarter ending 31st December, 1918.

10. Report by the County Firemaster for the year ending 31st December, 1918.

11. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 18th November (page 1), and 23rd December, 1918 (page 6).

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 23rd December, 1918 (page 8).

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of date 23rd December, 1918 (page 23).

[The above minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees are submitted only for the information of the Council.]

(2) Joint Meeting of Lanark Court House Commissioners and Joint Committee for the Management of the County Buildings at Lanark, of date 16th December, 1918 (page 25).

(3) County Road Board, of date 8th January, 1919 (page 27).

Recommendation that the following road be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878 :—

In the District of the Upper Ward—

Parish of Pettinain.

Road leading from the Pettinain and Lanark Road to Pettinain Churchyard Gate, extending to 69 yards or thereby.

(4) Sub-Committee on Reconstruction, of dates 8th January (page 29) and 10th January, 1919 (page 30).

(5) Finance Committee, of dates 8th January (page 31) and 5th February, 1919 (page 37).

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of date 8th January, 1919 (page 43).

Sub-Committee on Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, of dates 5th February (page 45) and 26th February, 1919 (page 46).

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £300 for the provision and erection of lamps and the laying of service pipes for lighting Wellshot village, within Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(*b*) £250 for the erection of public urinals within Larkhall Special Scavenging District.

(*c*) £40 for the supplying and fitting up of two small radiators, with all necessary fittings, &c., at Shotts Sanatorium.

(*d*) £77 10s. for the widening and improvement of road in front of Rosebank U. F. Church, Cambuslang.

(6) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 8th January (page 51), 5th February (page 53), and 26th February, 1919 (page 55).

Sub-Committee on Tramways, of date 26th February, 1919 (page 61).

(7) General Purposes Committee, of dates 8th January, (page 63) and 26th February, 1919 (page 66).

(8) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 15th January, 1919 (page 69).

(9) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 15th January, (page 71) and 5th February, 1919 (page 73).

Sub-Committee, of date 29th January, 1919 (page 75).

(10) Public Health Committee, of dates 22nd January, (page 77) and 26th February, 1919 (page 79).

(11) Conference on Public Health Administration, of date 26th February, 1919 (page 85).

(12) Executive Committee, of date 26th February, 1919 (page 87).

(13) Weights and Measures Committee, of date 26th February, 1919 (page 107).

12. Notice of motion by Mr. William L. Dyer—"That a committee be appointed to consider whether, having regard to efficiency and economy of administration, any alteration can and should be made upon the system set up by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, under which the County of Lanark is presently administered, and to report."

13. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 23rd January, 1919, intimating that the District Committee have granted increases on the salaries of the following District Officials, viz.:—

A. W. Paterson, District Clerk—salary increased from £380 to £400 per annum;

W. R. Meek, Road Surveyor—salary increased from £280 to £300 per annum;

William Paterson, District Sanitary Inspector—salary increased from £225 to £250 per annum;

the increases to take effect as from 15th November last.

14. Communication from the General Secretary of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union transmitting resolutions passed by the Union on the housing question.

15. Documents for execution:—

(1) Disposition by the County Council in favor of John M'Donald of plot or area of ground forming part of the site of the Police Station at Burnside.

(2) Agreement between the Minister of Munitions and the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward in connection with the erection of houses in the Middle Ward.

16. List of members and officials who have been on service during the war.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th December, 1918, at Two o'clock Afternoon, being the December Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, convened and met as required by Statute, and intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 11th December, 1918.

Present—

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Wm. K. Jackson.
James Kelly.
John P. Kinghorn.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
John Train.
William Wilson.
William Bell.
William L. Dyer.
William Lamb.
W. A. Thomson.

Sir Robert King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. Chairman.

The Clerk submitted apologies for absence from Col. Buchanan, Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O., and James Tonner, M.B.E. Apologies for absence.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *2nd December, 1918.*

SIR,

I am directed to intimate that the DECEMBER STATUTORY MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL will be held in the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 11th current, at Two o'clock Afternoon.*

It will fall to the meeting to appoint a Convener of the County, a Vice-Convener (if so resolved), the County Road Board, the County's quota of a Joint-Bridges Committee, the Council's quota of the Lanark District Board of Control, and four members to represent the County on the Committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Duke Street and Barlinnie Prisons).

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancies in—

(1) Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal; and

(2) Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

It will fall to the meeting to fill the vacancy in the Licensing Court—District No. 4 (Airdrie), caused by the death of Mr. Thomas Davie.

It will also fall to the meeting to receive and dispose of Minutes of the Finance Committee and other Committees, copies of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of meeting.

The meeting may take up any other competent business.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 10th October, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Representatives from Burghs.

The Clerk stated that he had received intimation of the appointment of the following representatives of Burghs, viz.:—

Coatbridge—Provost John Lavell, Bailies Adam Smith, Robert Irvine, Patrick J. Agnew, and Archibald S. Mills.

Lanark—Provost Lamb.

Rutherglen—Dean of Guild David Hardie and Sub-Dean of Guild William A. Thomson.

Reference by Convener to the War and the great victory to the Allies.

Before proceeding to the ordinary business for which the meeting had been called, the Convener, in referring to the War, said that since their last meeting the face of the world had been changed. Although peace had not yet been actually concluded, the power of the enemy to do harm for many years to come had been completely broken. They owed a debt of gratitude to their sailors, soldiers, and airmen, and also to the munition workers, for the good work they had done in helping the Allies to bring about this great victory.

Their sympathy went out to those who had lost their dear ones in this war, but those so bereaved had the great satisfaction of knowing that they had died in the cause of king and country, and of right and justice. The meeting unanimously concurred in the views and sentiments expressed by the Convener, and resolved that the same be recorded in the Minutes of the Council.

Letter from Sir Thomas Munro to the Convener of the County.

The Convener stated that he was sure the members of the Council would be delighted to learn that their Clerk, Sir Thomas Munro, had asked and hoped to be relieved of his duties in connection with the Ministry of Munitions by 1st February next, and that they looked forward with pleasure to the prospect of his resuming his ordinary duties amongst them again. The Convener then read to the meeting a letter which he had received from Sir Thomas, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Ministry of Munitions of War,
"8 Richmond Terrace, Whitehall, S.W.1,
"2nd December, 1918.

"Dear Sir Robert,

"I enclose copy of a letter which I have written to Sir Graham Greene, and which you will perhaps be so good as to submit to the County Council at their meeting on the 11th instant. If the Council can see their way to allow me to continue here until the 1st February, and under the conditions set forth in my letter, it will be gratifying to me, as it will enable me to do all I can to complete my work here, and to tide over a difficult period, during which I should not like the Government to be deprived of the services which, with the generous indulgence of the Council, I have been permitted to render during the past eighteen months. I am fully conscious, as I know the Government are, of the forbearance already extended by the Council.

"I am,

"Yours very sincerely,

"THOS. MUNRO.

"Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.,
"of Murdostoun, Newmains,
"Scotland."

"Ministry of Munitions of War,
"8 Richmond Terrace, Whitehall, S.W.1,
"2nd December, 1918.

"Dear Sir Graham Greene,

"Now that the war has practically terminated, the problems that confront my own Council are such as call for my return to its service. I feel I should resume my ordinary duties immediately, but I am conscious that to do so would be to take me away from work under the Ministry which is of pressing national importance, and in which my services might be missed at this juncture. I therefore propose to ask my Council to let me continue my engagements here until the 1st of February, by which time I hope that present difficulties may be overcome, and that I may have been able to so arrange my Department as to permit of efficient continuity of work. During the period between now and 1st February it will be necessary for me to visit Lanarkshire from time to time, but I will endeavour to arrange for this so as not unduly to interfere with my work here.

"I regret to have to put a definite termination to my service under Mr. Churchill, but circumstances compel this.

"I have received such consideration and kindness that I shall feel great regret in severing personal associations that have been so agreeable, and leaving work that, if difficult, has been absorbingly interesting.

"I am,

"Yours very truly,

THOS. MUNRO.

"Sir W. GRAHAM GREENE, K.C.B.,
"*Permanent Secretary,*
"Ministry of Munitions of War,
"Whitehall Place, S.W.1."

Expression of appreciation of services rendered by Sir Thomas Munro to the country.

The Chairman took this opportunity of expressing, on behalf of the members of the Council, their high appreciation of the very valuable services rendered by Sir Thomas Munro to the country during this critical period of its history. Sir Thomas thanked the Council for their indulgence and kind consideration during the time he had been engaged on Government service.

Appointment of Convener.

The meeting having proceeded, in terms of the Statute, to the election of a Convener of the County for the year to December, 1919, Mr. Fraser moved that Sir Robert King Stewart be reappointed, and the motion, having been put to the meeting, was unanimously agreed to. Sir Robert thanked the Council for this renewed expression of their confidence.

Appointment of Vice-Convener.

The meeting having proceeded to appoint a Vice-Convener of the County for the same period, Mr. Love moved that Colonel Buchanan be reappointed, which was unanimously agreed to.

Minutes of meeting.

The minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 10th October, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Vacancy in Council caused by resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal.

The meeting having proceeded to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the resignation of Mr. George H. Macneal, the representative on the County Council of the Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, the Clerk laid before the meeting two petitions signed by electors in the Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division, one recommending the appointment of Mr. Alexander A. Keith, Forth Bank, Lenzie, and the other in favour of the appointment of Mr. William Linn, 6 Ruskin Square, Bishopbriggs.

Mr. Adam moved that Mr. Alexander A. Keith be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Hurll.

Mr. Briggs moved that Mr. William Linn be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Train.

Mr. Alexander A. Keith appointed.

A vote having been taken, by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the appointment of Mr. Alexander A. Keith. The Chairman accordingly declared Mr. Keith to have been appointed to represent the Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office.

The meeting appointed Mr. Keith to be a member of the following Committees, &c., viz.:—County Road Board; Licensing and Appeal Courts for the Lower Ward; Valuation Committee for the Lower Ward; Explosives Committee for the Lower Ward; Public Health Committee; and the Lower Ward Committee on Appeals against Rates.

The meeting also appointed Mr. A. H. J. Briggs to be a member of the County's quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission, and Mr. John Train to be a member of the Parliamentary Bills Committee. Appointment to Committees.

The meeting having thereafter proceeded to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the death of Mr. Walter Lindsay, the representative on the Council of the Biggar Burgh Electoral Division, Mr. Pillans moved that Mr. T. H. Paterson, Wardlaw, Biggar, be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. W. K. Jackson. The meeting unanimously agreed that Mr. Paterson be appointed to fill the vacancy, and the Chairman accordingly declared Mr. T. H. Paterson to have been appointed to represent the Biggar Burgh Electoral Division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office. Vacancy in Council caused by death of Mr. Walter Lindsay.

The meeting appointed Mr. Paterson to be a member of the following Committees, viz.:—Valuation Committee for the Upper Ward; Committee on Lanark Court Houses, &c.; and the Fire Brigades Committee.

The meeting having proceeded, in terms of the Statute, to appoint a County Road Board for the ensuing year, it was agreed that the following members of the Council should constitute the Board, and they were appointed accordingly, viz.:— County Road Board.

Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
William K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.
Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Captain Watt.
John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Alexander A. Keith.

The following were appointed a Joint-Bridges Committee, or the Council's quota of the Joint-Bridges Committee, in virtue of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, viz.:— Joint-Bridges Committee.

John Adam.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
James Tonner, M.B.E.

In accordance with the Rules prescribed by the General Board of Control the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the Lanark District Board of Control, and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said Board, viz.:— Quota of Lanark District Board of Control.

John Campbell.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Captain Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Dr. Robertson.
George Stalker.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Templeton.
Colonel Hope Vere.
William Wilson.

Glasgow Prisons Visiting Committee.

As required by the Rules of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the Committee for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street), and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said committee:—

J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.

Glasgow Court House Commission.

The following members of the Council were appointed to represent the Council on the Glasgow Court House Commission, viz.:—

John Adam.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
John P. Kinghorn.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
John Train.

Representatives to County Councils Association.

The meeting appointed the following to represent the Council on the County Councils Association, viz.:—

John Adam.
Colonel Buchanan.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Colonel Hope Vere.
The County Clerk.

Licensing Court, District No. 4 (Airdrie).

On the motion of Mr. David Thomson the meeting agreed to appoint Sir Robert King Stewart to fill the vacancy in the Licensing Court, District No. 4 (Airdrie), caused by the death of ex-Provost Davie.

Appointment of representative to County Fuel and Lighting Committee.

The Clerk reported that, under the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918, it fell to the County Council and the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company, as the electricity undertakers within the area of the County Fuel and Lighting Committee, to appoint one member to represent the Electricity Works on the committee, and to undertake the duties of Local Electricity Supervisor, and stated that the Clyde Valley Company had nominated Mr. William Howie, 4 Porter Street, Ibrox. The meeting agreed to concur in Mr. Howie's nomination.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I to this minute), which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 30th September, 1918 (forming Appendix II to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by District Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

A report by the District Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, for the quarter ended 30th September, 1918 (forming Appendix III to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, was submitted.

Abstract of Valuation.

A printed abstract of the Valuation of the County for the current year, giving a comparison with that for 1917-18 (forming Appendix IV to this minute), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Council, was laid upon the table.

House Letting Act. — Statement of Occupiers' Rates.

There was laid before the meeting a Statement of Occupiers' Rates levied in 1918-19 for public local purposes in Special Districts within which the House Letting and Rating (Scotland), 1911, has been adopted (forming Appendix V to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Minutes of Committees, &c.

The following minutes of Committees and Sub-Committees, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Valuation Committee (Middle Ward), of dates 10th, 12th, and 24th September, 1918; (Upper Ward), of date 16th September, 1918.

(2) Joint Committee of County Council and Town Council of Biggar regarding Food Control and the Household Fuel and Lighting Order, of date 16th October, 1918.

(3) Food Control Committee, of date 21st October, 1918.
Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 21st October, 1918.
Conference with other Counties and Burghs, of date 26th August, 1918.
Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of date 21st October, 1918.
(The above minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees were submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(4) Executive Committee, of date 23rd October, 1918.

(5) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 23rd October and 20th November, 1918.

(6) Sub-Committee on Reconstruction, of dates 23rd October and 27th November, 1918.

(7) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 23rd October, 1918.

(8) Finance Committee, of dates 6th November and 4th December, 1918.

(9) Public Health Committee, of date 27th November, 1918.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener, or any other member of the Council, and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £500—Cambuslang Electricity Works—Wellshot Lighting Scheme.

(*b*) £250 for lamps and service pipes within Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District.

Public Health Administration.

Under reference to the minutes of the Public Health Committee, of date 27th November, 1918, the meeting, while approving of the recommendations contained therein, agreed that, in view of the indication given by Dr. Wilson, the County Medical Officer, of his desire to resign, it be remitted to the Public Health Committee to confer with the several District Committees, in regard to future arrangements relating to the Public Health Administration within the County, and to report.

Reference having been made to the absence of recommendations for increase of salary in the case of certain members of the County Public Health Staff, Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, stated that it was the intention of the Committee to consider the position of the Officers referred to later on, and to report.

Minutes approved.

The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, approved of the minutes of the several Committees and Sub-Committees above mentioned.

Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918. — Administrative Expenses.

Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting of the Council regarding the administrative expenses of the Household Fuel and Lighting (Scotland) Order, 1918, the Clerk submitted and read the following communication which he had received from the Board of Trade, with regard to the representation made by him to the Secretary for Scotland, viz.:—

"Holborn Viaduct Hotel,
"London, E.C.1, 10th December, 1918.

"DEAR SIR,

"HOUSEHOLD FUEL AND LIGHTING (SCOTLAND) ORDER, 1918, EXPENSES.

"With reference to your letter of the 3rd December to the Under Secretary for Scotland, who has passed it on to us, I am directed to say that, inasmuch as this Department is doing work which all Local Authorities would have been called upon to perform during this winter, and that greater efficiency is obtained by centralising some portions of the work, while the greater part of the benefit is obtained locally, it is only fair that the ratepayers should pay at least a proportion of the local expenses. The circumstances which gave rise to the Food Orders were wholly different in purpose and nature, and the Treasury do not admit that there is any similarity, so far as regards the incidence of expenses, between the two Controls.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "A. S. OPPE.
"*For the Household Fuel and Lighting Branch.*"

Motion by Mr. Sullivan regarding quality and high price of milk.

With reference to the motion standing in the name of Mr. Joseph Sullivan, that "in view of the serious adulteration in the quality and high price of milk as being a danger to child life, this Council advise the Food Control Committee to take over the milk supply in the County of Lanark," the Clerk reported that the matter was receiving the earnest attention of the Food Controller. The meeting thereupon agreed, with the consent of the mover, to continue the motion again till another meeting.

County Council Election.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to destroy the papers used in connection with the last County Council Election.

Tramway car service in Bellshill district.

Mr. John Campbell having called attention to the inadequacy of the service of tramway cars in the Bellshill district, the meeting agreed to remit the matter to the Parliamentary Bills Committee.

Document for execution.

There having been submitted the following document for execution, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same, in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to it the Common Seal of the County, viz.:—

Agreement (in duplicate) between the Commissioners of H.M. Treasury and the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward, regarding loan of £600 for Afforestation at Camps.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 11th December last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

County.

Widening and improvement of road in front of Rosebank U.F. Church, Main Street, Cambuslang—£77 10s.

Middle Ward.

1. Erection of buildings in connection with Hairmyres Institution and Farm Colony, East Kilbride (to meet expenditure in excess of that already sanctioned)—£64,062 7s. 2d.
2. Provision and erection of lamps and laying of service pipes, &c., for public lighting at the North Road and Calder Road Housing Schemes, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting Districts—£250.
3. Provision and erection of lamps and laying of service pipes, &c., for lighting Wellshot Village, within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District—£300.
4. Supply and fitting up two small radiators, with all necessary fittings, at Shotts Sanatorium—£40.
5. Erection of three public urinals within the Larkhall Special Scavenging District—£250.

R. K. STEWART,
WILLIAM LOVE,
Two Members of Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

February, 1919.

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COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

GENERAL MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL

ON

WEDNESDAY, 5th MARCH, 1919.

SIR THOMAS MUNRO, K.B.E.,
County Clerk.

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
220	Nov. 28	Lanark County Council,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
221	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
222	,, ,,	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
238	Dec. 9	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
239	,, ,,	Do.,	Ferniegair, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
240	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
241	,, 11	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
242	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 29 per cent., and in Milk Fat, 20 per cent.
243	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
256	,, 18	Do.,	Glenboig, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
257	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
258	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
259	,, 27	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
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267	,, ,,	Do.,	Lenzie, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
268	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
269	,, 31	Do.,	Muirhead, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
270	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
271	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do,	... ...
272	,, ,,	Do.,	Steps Road, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
273	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1907.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 31st **DECEMBER**, 1918.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 26
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 1

9th January, 1919.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

12th February, 1919.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
219	Nov. 28	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
244	Dec. 11	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
245	,, ,,	Do.. ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
246	,, ,,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
254	,, 19	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat, 10 per cent.	0 10 0	
255	,, ,,	Cream,... ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
263	,, 27	Sweet Milk, ...	Do..	... ...	0 10 0	

9th January, 1919.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

12th February, 1919.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1919.

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COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 18th November, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. 18th November, 1918.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	Mrs. Neish.
William Davie.	William B. Small.
Robert Lambie.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Love.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Thomas Maley.	Lady Wilson.
Thomas M'Auslin.	

Sir Robert King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Mr. Thomas H. Paterson, of Wardlaw, Biggar.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice.

The minutes of last meeting, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk explained that under the Food Controller's Orders the term of office of the Local Food Control Committee, which would have expired at the end of September, had been extended until 18th November, when a new Food Control Committee was directed to be constituted. The previous arrangement, under which the Local Food Control Committee had been appointed for the joint-area of the County of Lanark (Landward) and Burgh of Biggar, had been adhered to, and the joint-committee of the County Council of Lanark and Town Council of Biggar had, on 16th October, 1918, appointed the following to be the new committee:— Reconstitution of committee.

Representing the County—

Sir Robert King Stewart, of Murdostoun, K.B.E., Murdostoun Castle Newmains.

Representing the Upper Ward—

Gavin Hamilton, Abbeygreen, Lesmahagow.

W. K. Jackson, Broomlands, Symington.

Representing the Middle Ward—

William Gardner, Mossgiel, Uddingston.
Robert Lambie, Strathview, Larkhall.
William Love, Johnston Villa, North Avenue, Cambuslang.
Joseph Sullivan, Westcraigs Road, Harthill.

Representing the Lower Ward—

J. Raeside Auld, Garfield House, Stepps.

Representing the Burgh of Biggar—

One member to be nominated by the Town Council of Biggar.

Representing Labour—

Three members, two to be nominated by the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, and one to be nominated by organisations representing iron and steel workers in the County.

Representing Women—

Mrs. Neish, Logan Place, Ferniegair.
Lady Helen Wilson, Flemington House, Uddingston.

Representing Private Traders—

William Davie, Duncolm, Over Possil, Lambhill.

Representing Co-operators—

One member to be appointed by the Central Co-operative Conference Association.

Since the date of that meeting the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union had nominated Messrs. Thomas Maley, 43 Park Street, Cambuslang, and William B. Small, 54 Lorne Street, Hamilton, as two of the Labour representatives, and the Steel and Iron Workers' Society and the Confederation of Iron and Steel Trades had nominated Mr. John Mullholland, 35 Meadow Road, Motherwell, as the remaining Labour representative. The Central Co-operative Conference Association had renominated M. T. M'Auslin, Ashgrove, North Road, Bellshill, as the Co-operative representative, and the Town Council of Biggar had appointed as their representative Mr. Thomas H. Paterson, Wardlaw, Biggar. All the ladies and gentlemen nominated had intimated their acceptance of office.

Appointment of chairman.

It now fell to the committee to appoint a chairman for the coming year. It was unanimously agreed that Sir Robert King Stewart should be appointed to that office. Sir Robert thanked the committee for having again appointed him to preside over their deliberations.

Appointment of sub-committees.

It was unanimously agreed to reappoint the existing Sub-Committees on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, Potatoes, Sugar, Meat, and Flour and Bread. It was also unanimously agreed to reappoint Mr. Gavin Hamilton chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter; Mr. Thomas M'Auslin, chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes; Mr. J. Raeside Auld, chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Sugar; Mr. W. K. Jackson, chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Meat; and to appoint Mr. Love as chairman of the Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, in place of Mr. Tonner, who had ceased to be a member of the committee.

Appointment of Local Sub-Committees.

The reconstitution of the Local Food Control Committee had rendered it necessary to reconstitute the Local Sub-Committees, and in this connection the Clerk had prepared and issued to members of the committee a memorandum on the subject (Appendix).

The committee, having considered the memorandum and discussed the matter generally, unanimously agreed that Local Sub-Committees should be reconstituted on the lines suggested in the memorandum, and instructed the Clerk to write to each Sub-Executive Officer, requesting him, in consultation with the local County Councillor or Councillors, to take steps for having effect given to this decision.

Salary of Sub-Executive Officer for Carluke Area increased.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Chairman of the Carluke Sub-Committee, of date 13th November, 1918, recommending that the salary of Mr. A. B. Cliff, the Sub-Executive Officer, which is at present £2 per week, should be increased by 5s. per week. The committee approved of Mr. Cliff's salary being increased by 5s. per week as from 11th current.

Applications under Retail Business (Licensing) Order.

There were submitted applications under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, from the following persons:—

Antonio Valente, Brown's Land, Gartcosh, to establish a fish and chip shop there.

Mrs. Annie Graham, 128 Main Street, Bellshill, to establish a fruit, vegetable, delf, confectionery, and small wares business there.

Mrs. M. Leishman, Castlebank, Bothwell, to establish a fish restaurant and aerated water shop at Main Street, Bothwell.

Enricho Castelvechia, for and on behalf of Giovanni Costimini, Mansefield Place, Hamilton Road, Bellshill, to establish a fish and chip restaurant there.

The committee, having considered the individual applications, and having received further explanations from the Clerk as to the circumstances of certain of them, agreed to approve of all the applications.

Application for registration as fish retailer.

There was submitted an application for registration as a fish retailer by Mrs C. Hamilton, 12 Station Road, Larkhall. The committee agreed to grant the application.

Claims for loss of remunerative time.

Claims by members of the committee for loss of remunerative time in attending meetings of the committee for the half-year ending 30th June, 1918, were submitted and approved.

License under Cereals (Restriction) Order, 1918.

There was laid before the meeting a copy of a license granted under the Cereals (Restriction) Order, 1918, in favour of Mr. Archibald Hamilton, Orchard Farm, Bellshill, to use a quantity of wheat for feeding farm stock.

Official Orders and Leaflets.

Prints of the Official Orders and Leaflets, issued by the Food Controller since the date of last meeting, were laid on the table.

Retiral of Food Commissioner.

The chairman reported that he had received from the Food Commissioner a letter, conveying his thanks to the committee and their staff for the excellent services they had rendered in connection with the work of Food Control, and intimating that he was retiring from the post of Food Commissioner. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Murray thanking him for his kind letter, and expressing their appreciation of the courtesy which had marked his relations with the committee.

Letter of thanks from Food Controller.

The chairman also submitted a letter from the Food Controller, of date 3rd ultimo, in which Mr. Clynes expressed his warm sense of obligation for all that the committee had achieved during the past year.

APPENDIX.

MEMORANDUM REGARDING CONSTITUTION OF LOCAL SUB-COMMITTEES.

In view of the new Food Control Committee coming into office on 18th current, it will be necessary, at their first meeting, to consider the reappointment of Local Sub-Committees.

The present Local Sub-Committees consist of twelve members, and are constituted as follows:—

(1) The local County Councillor or Councillors.

(2) One representative of the School Board or School Boards within the area.

(3) One representative of the Parish Council or Parish Councils within the area.

(4) One representative of Labour.

(5) One representative of Co-operative Societies.

(6) One representative of Private Traders.

(7) One woman.

In the event of the number of members of any of the sub-committees constituted as above being less than twelve, the sub-committees were empowered, if they saw fit, to nominate additional members, the additional members so nominated to be representative of Labour, Co-operative Societies, Private Traders, or women.

The new Food Control Committee now consists of sixteen members, of whom three must represent Labour, two are women, one represents Co-operators, one represents Private Traders, and the other nine members have been nominated from members of the County Council of Lanark and Town Council of Biggar.

In view of the increase in the number of the Food Control Committee, it may be considered that the number of members on Local Sub-Committees should also be increased. In any event, it is suggested that, in appointing the new Local Sub-Committees, the rules laid down for the constitution of the parent committee should be followed. This would mean that, in sub-committees having twelve or more members, three members must represent Labour, two must be women, and that in any area in which a Co-operative Society is established, if any Food Trader is appointed, whether a member of the Local Authority or not, at least one representative of the co-operative movement must also be appointed. If the number of a sub-committee were less than twelve, at least two members must represent Labour.

If this suggestion were adopted, the Local Sub-Committees would normally consist of:—

(1) The local County Councillor or Councillors.

(2) One representative of the Parish Council or Parish Councils within the area.

(3) One representative of the School Board or School Boards within the area.

(4) Three representatives of Labour.

(5) Two women.

(6) One representative of Co-operators.

(7) One Private Trader.

Where the number so appointed did not exceed sixteen, the Local Sub-Committees might be empowered to make their number up to sixteen by choosing additional representatives of Labour, Co-operators, Private Traders, or women.

It would be desirable to provide that the representatives of Labour, Co-operators, and Private Traders should be nominated by organisations representative of these interests, where such organisations existed, and that working women should be represented. The same person could not be counted as a woman member and Labour representative.

The rule applicable to the parent committee, that not more than three persons at present trading in any business of food manufacture or distribution, may be included in a committee should be adhered to in the case of Local Sub-Committees, the term Food Trader including paid officials of Co-operative Societies.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 13th November, 1918.

23rd December, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 23rd December, 1918, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
William Small.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Lady Wilson.

Attending—

Mr. W. T. M'Gillivray, Inspector.

Chairman.

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 18th November, 1918, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Reappointment of Local Sub-Committees.

The Clerk reported that he had intimated to the various Local Sub-Executive Officers the decision of the committee at last meeting as to the reappointment of Local Sub-Committees, and submitted information as to the steps being taken in the various areas to reconstitute these. In several instances the former sub-committees were being reappointed, with the addition of a second lady member or further Labour representatives. The committee approved generally of what was being done, on the understanding that a full list of the members of the sub-committees would be laid before them when all the Local Sub-Committees had been appointed.

There were submitted applications under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, from the following persons— Applications under Retail Business (Licensing) Order.

Henry A. Terry, 61 High Street, Rutherglen, to establish a fish and poultry shop at 24 Main Street, Rutherglen.

Miss Mary Eadie, 5 King Street, Dykehead, Shotts, to establish a fish and chip shop there.

Rutherglen New Co-operative Society, 40 Main Street, Rutherglen, to establish a poultry shop there.

Jessie Macpherson, 8 Bankhead Road, Rutherglen, to establish a fish and chip shop at East Main Street, Rutherglen.

Mrs. Coleman, Newfauldhead, Croy, to establish a fish and chip shop at Chapman's Land, Glenboig.

John M'Alpine Kay, 10 Guthrie Street, Hamilton, to establish a fish shop in Shettleston.

Cambuslang Industrial Co-operative Society, 2 Tabernacle Lane, Cambuslang, to establish a fish shop at Main Street, Cambuslang.

Jeanie Murray, 88 Clydesdale Road, Mossend, to establish a fish restaurant at 86 Clydesdale Road, Mossend.

The Committee approved of all these applications being granted.

The Clerk drew the attention of the committee to the fact that, under the present Rationing Order, it was essential for all establishments to keep registers of consumption of rationed foods, but that the committee were authorised to grant exemption from these provisions of the Order in cases where they were satisfied that such records were kept as showed accurately the consumption of rationed foods day by day, and where they considered that no abuse was likely to occur. Applications for exemption from keeping the register had been received from Hartwood Asylum, Kirklands Asylum, Dalzell Poorhouse, Symlum Orphanage, and Glasgow Convalescent Home, Lenzie. In all these instances the Clerk was satisfied that the records kept by the establishments of the amounts of rationed foods consumed were sufficient to show that the provisions of the Order were being observed. The committee agreed to grant exemption in each case. Applications from Institutions for exemption from necessity for keeping registers under Rationing Order.

It was reported to the meeting that the supplies of tea and lard now available rendered it no longer necessary that consumers should be rationed for these articles, and, accordingly, the use of coupons for the purchase of these goods had been discontinued. Consumers would still require to purchase tea and lard from the retailers with whom they were registered, and retailers would draw their supplies by means of authorities granted by the Food Control Committee, but otherwise there would be no restriction on the amounts consumed. The committee having previously adopted the rationing of tea locally, it was now necessary for them to formally rescind the resolution to that effect, and the committee accordingly resolved and hereby resolve that the rationing of tea within their area be forthwith discontinued. Abandonment of rationing of tea and lard.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at the meetings of the Sub-Committees on Orders Relating to Milk and Butter and Flour and Bread, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof, and of the several findings and recommendations of these sub-committees. Proceedings of sub-committees.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

23rd December, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 23rd December, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar to deal with Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
William Small.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Lady Wilson.

Attending—

Mr. W. T. M'Gillivray, Inspector.

Chairman.

Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 21st October, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, and which had already been approved by the parent committee, were submitted and signed.

Retail milk prices.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 29th October, 1918, enclosing a form of sanction by the Food Controller to the maximum prices fixed by the committee for sales of milk by retail for the winter months.

Priority milk certificates.

The Clerk reported that, in conjunction with the Medical Officer of Health, he was continuing to arrange for the granting of priority supplies of milk to guardians of young children, and that, up to date, the number of certificates granted was 216, the number of retailers involved being 52.

Milk shortage in Bellshill Area.

The shortage of milk in the Bellshill Area, particularly in the Bothwellhaugh District, was still causing some anxiety, and efforts were being made through the Food Commissioner to obtain additional supplies from outside sources. Until, however, the Ministry of Food had completed their scheme of wholesale distribution of milk, it was doubtful if any substantial relief could be obtained. In the meantime, the Clerk was considering the possibility of obtaining increased supplies of condensed milk for the area. The sub-committee instructed the Clerk to write to the Food Commissioner, urging upon him the necessity for the Government scheme of distribution being put into operation as soon as possible.

Distribution of condensed milk.

The committee's scheme for the distribution of condensed milk had, it was intimated, now been approved so far as unsweetened milk was concerned, the Ministry having considered it inexpedient to include sweetened milk in the scheme.

Report of Committee of Conference on Milk Supplies.

The Clerk reported that the Committee of the recent Conference of Food Control Committees for the Western Area of Scotland on Milk Supplies had now completed their investigations into the supplies of milk available in the various areas. The returns which had been got in had been summarised, and a copy of the summary (Appendix I) had been issued to each of the committees represented at the conference. Copies of the summary had also been transmitted to the Food Commissioner, in order that the Ministry might avail themselves of the information contained in it in framing their scheme for the wholesale distribution of milk.

Return of milk produced in County of Lanark.

In connection with the preparation of the summary, the Clerk had, through the kindness of the Medical Officer of Health and his staff obtained a very complete return of the milk produced in the County of Lanark. A copy of the Medical Officer's report to the Clerk, with the relative tables therein referred to, had been printed and issued to the members of the committee (Appendix II).

License to charge higher prices for high-grade milk.

There was laid before the meeting a license granted by the Ministry of Food to Mr. Gavin Hamilton, the chairman of the sub-committee, authorising him to sell Grade B milk wholesale at 3d. per imperial gallon in excess of the maximum producers' price from December, 1918, until further notice. It was explained by the Clerk that this was the first license granted by the Ministry of Food for high-grade milk.

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APPENDIX I.

FOOD CONTROL.

MILK SUPPLIES.

SUMMARY OF RETURNS FURNISHED BY FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEES FOR THE COUNTIES OF AYR, DUNBARTON, LANARK, RENFREW, AND STIRLING, AND THE BURGHS IN THE RESPECTIVE COUNTIES.

NAME OF COUNTY OR BURGH.	ESTIMATED QUANTITY OF MILK TO BE PRODUCED.							DISPOSAL OF MILK.			
	1918.			1919.							
	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	Total.	Quantity sold or used as Milk.	Quantity for making Butter or Cheese.	Quantity for feeding Stock.	Totals.
	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.
1. County of Ayr,	936,669	936,669	936,669	936,669	936,669	936,669	5,620,014	4,878,349	398,627	343,038	5,620,014
†2. Burgh of Ardrossan,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Burgh of Ayr,	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	6,480	6,480	—	—	6,480
†4. Burgh of Galston,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Burgh of Irvine,	5,340	5,407	4,761	4,810	4,463	5,026	29,807	29,201	266	340	29,807
‡6. Burgh of Kilmarnock,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Burgh of Saltcoats,	620	500	465	465	500	500	3,050	3,050	—	—	3,050
¥8. Burgh of Troon,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. County of Dunbarton,	57,668	55,743	54,126	53,061	52,521	57,197	330,316	318,596	3,707	9,013	330,316
10. Burgh of Clydebank,	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	126,000	126,000	—	—	126,000
11. Burgh of Dumbarton,	5,258	5,200	5,258	5,258	5,084	5,258	31,316	31,316	—	—	31,316
12. Burgh of Helensburgh,	489	490	489	490	490	490	2,938	2,938	—	—	2,938
13. Burgh of Kirkintilloch,	4,721	4,716	4,810	4,579	4,618	5,007	28,451	27,029	1,292	130	28,451
14. County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar,	1,043,602	971,918½	938,312	904,341	843,214	883,877½	5,585,265	4,984,575½	479,329½	121,360	5,585,265

15. Burgh of Airdrie,	7,068	6,840	7,068	7,068	6,364	7,075	41,483	41,019	464	—	41,483
16. Burgh of Coatbridge,	3,958	3,964	4,106	4,460	4,837	5,173	26,498	26,330	168	—	26,498
17. Burgh of Glasgow,	42,782	41,465	42,438	42,468	39,305	42,435	250,893	250,793	—	100	250,893
18. Burgh of Hamilton,	12,006	11,494	11,456	11,560	10,711	11,134	68,361	68,121	240	—	68,361
19. Burgh of Lanark,	1,040	1,040	1,040	1,040	1,039	1,039	6,238	6,238	—	—	6,238
20. Burgh of Motherwell,	1,457	1,430	1,430	1,415	1,385	1,385	8,502	8,502	—	—	8,502
21. Burgh of Rutherglen,	3,858	3,734	3,664	3,643	3,474	3,636	22,009	21,527	—	482	22,009
22. Burgh of Wishaw,	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	12,600	12,600	—	—	12,600
23. County of Renfrew,	365,011	340,853	339,210	334,009	321,750	356,521	2,057,354	1,859,141	126,412	71,801	2,057,354
24. Burgh of Renfrew,	8,447½	8,175	8,447½	8,447½	7,630	8,447½	49,595	49,595	—	—	49,595
25. Burgh of Barrhead,	2,735	2,650	2,735	2,735	2,490	2,735	16,080	15,460	—	620	16,080
26. Burgh of Gourock,	80	70	70	70	70	70	430	430	—	—	430
27. Burgh of Greenock.	19,356	18,586	18,662	18,973	17,552	19,631	112,760	107,737	338	3,685	112,760
28. Burgh of Johnstone,	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,179	1,179	1,179	7,077	7,077	—	—	7,077
29. Burgh of Paisley.	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000	168,000	168,000	—	—	168,000
30. Burgh of Port-Glasgow,	728	600	600	600	600	600	3,728	3,560	—	168	3,728
31. County of Stirling,	46,083	46,083	46,083	46,083	46,084	46,084	276,500	276,500	—	—	276,500
32. Burghs of Denny and Dunipace,	844	800	810	800	750	810	4,814	4,814	—	—	4,814
33. Burgh of Falkirk,	9,145	8,850	9,145	9,145	8,260	9,145	53,690	53,690	—	—	53,690
34. Burgh of Grangemouth.	1,105	1,075	995	920	1,000	1,010	6,105	5,950	155	—	6,105
35. Burgh of Kilsyth,	1,108	820	722	872	822	872	5,216	5,216	—	—	5,216
36. Burgh of Stirling.	276	276	276	276	276	276	1,656	1,656	—	—	1,656
TOTALS,	2,634,814½	2,532,808½	2,497,207½	2,457,616½	2,375,317	2,465,462	14,963,226	13,401,490½	1,010,998½	550,737	14,963,226

* No milk produced in this area. † No figures given, quantity of milk produced is negligible. ‡ No figures available.

APPENDIX 11.

Note.—This Report is issued to the Members of the County Council and District Committees in view of the interest it has for Public Health Authorities.—J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 16th November, 1918.

Dear Mr. Bryce Walker,

Milk Supply.

Referring to my letter of the 8th current, the information collected as to the production and distribution of milk in the County has been summarised in some notes and a series of Tables, 11 in number. These I now send to you, and I think they will prove interesting and instructive.

I also send you a number of the letters which have been received from producers in sending in their returns. These, I have no doubt, you will read carefully. They will help you to appreciate the difficulties under which dairy farmers have been labouring for some time, and are still, with regard to questions of labour, cattle feeding, &c. I trust these letters will be carefully preserved as no copies have been made of them. The detailed returns are at your disposal, and, if you should find time to peruse them, you will find in many of them information pointing to the need for immediate action being taken to maintain or increase the milk supply.

If we can be of any further help to you, as, for example, in interviewing dairy farmers who have been in the habit of converting their milk into butter, kindly let me know. The list referred to in paragraph 7 of the notes is being prepared.

I do hope that after you and your Committee have considered the information submitted, an effort will be made to deal with the problems raised either through the Food Control or other official department concerned.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

John T. Wilson.
County Medical Officer.

Robert Bryce Walker, Esq.,
Executive Officer,
Local Food Control Committee,
County Offices.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MILK SUPPLY.

NOTES ON AN INQUIRY AS TO PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MILK DURING THE PERIOD OCTOBER, 1918, TO MARCH, 1919.

1. This inquiry was undertaken at the request of the Executive Officer of the Local Food Control Committee, who supplied the printed forms for recording the desired information, covering the period 1st October, 1918, to 31st March, 1919. The method of obtaining the information was as follows:— The registers of the dairy herds in the Upper and Middle Wards were obtained, while, from the Lower Ward, a list of the dairy herds in the area was procured from the Lower Ward Public Health Office. Mr. Begg's registers were also consulted. From these and other sources it was possible to prepare complete lists of the dairy herds in the County. Except in the case of the Lower Ward, there was no exact data as to postal addresses of the farms or dairy premises, so that before sending out the forms this had to be obtained, and was got out mainly by reference to the lists of postal addresses kept in the office. In view of the importance of the subject, it was considered desirable to address the forms personally to the occupier of the farm and not, as might have been done, simply to "the occupier," and difficulty arose in connection with the changes in ownership which have taken place since the inspection of dairy herds for tubercular disease of the udder ceased in 1914. We were aware, however, of a considerable number of these changes. When these preliminaries had been completed, it was possible to issue the forms. A printed covering letter with an official stamped addressed envelope for reply accompanied the form. The Lower Ward forms were issued on the 27th and 30th September: the Middle Ward from the 30th September to the 3rd October; and the Upper Ward on the 8th and 9th October. Four or five days were allowed for their return. They should thus all have been returned by about the 15th October. They were very slow in coming in, however, and about 700 first reminders had to be issued. This brought in the bulk of the forms, but a large number of second reminders had to be sent out, and, in about 50 instances, a third reminder was necessary. Very few (about half-a-dozen) are still to come, but the statistics have been completed without them. Opportunity has been taken to correct the names of the owners and postal addresses of the various herds, and the lists which have been prepared are complete in these respects. These corrections show a very large number of alterations in ownership.

2. The number of dairy herds in the lists is about 2,000. This number should be pretty exact, and very few cows will be unaccounted for. A number of the "herds" comprise only one or two cows, which are kept for private use. These mainly exist in the outlying Upper Ward Parishes.

3. With regard to the returns themselves, it was found, on checking them, that quite 50 per cent. were incomplete. Thus, in many cases, the number of cows in milk to be kept was not given, or the figures in the second

Table in the form did not agree with the figures in the first Table. The checking and completing of the returns took a great deal of time. Many of them were sent in without a name or address, and considerable difficulty was experienced in tracing their origin. Much correspondence was necessary.

4. The information obtained has been recorded in eleven Tables. Tables I to V deal with Production, and Tables VI to XI with Distribution.

With regard to *Production*, the figures show a gradual decrease from October to February in the amount of milk likely to be produced. In March there is a slight increase applicable over the whole County. The total production in the County for the six months is estimated at 5,585,265 gallons, inclusive of the produce sent to the two creameries in the County. The Middle Ward, it will be noted, is the chief producer—3,160,085½ gallons. The Upper Ward contributes 1,947,490½ gallons, while the Lower Ward gives 477,689 gallons to the total. Of the total production, 4,984,575½ gallons are estimated to be sold or used as milk. The Tables give figures for the County Area, the three Districts, and for the various Parishes, as well as for the two creameries in the County.

With regard to *Distribution*, it will be seen from Table VI that, apart from the creameries, of the 4,577,090½ gallons of milk estimated to be utilised as milk, 3,098,510½ gallons go out of the County Area; 967,589 gallons of this amount go to the various burghs in the County, while the remaining 2,130,921½ gallons are widely distributed. Glasgow and suburbs, of course, get the largest share (1,706,334½ gallons); Edinburgh takes 192,456 gallons; Leith, 141,207 gallons; Aberdeen, 22,585 gallons; while Mid-Lothian, Greenock, Galston Creamery, Clydebank, Eaglesham, Penicuik, Buckhaven, Kirkcaldy, Musselburgh, Port-Glasgow, Wanlockhead, and Slamannan absorb varying lesser amounts. The approximate *daily* distribution outwith the County Area and burghs within the County through the creameries is as follows:—To Glasgow, 1,094 gallons; Edinburgh and Leith, 611 gallons; Clydebank, Greenock, Port-Glasgow, and Dumbarton, 319 gallons; Peebles, 32 gallons; and Carlisle, 30 gallons.

A note has been made of the details of the distribution to the towns and villages within the County Areas. This information, however, has not been tabulated.

5. Many letters were sent in with the returns. A striking feature of these letters, and of the remarks made on many of the returns, is the reference to the scarcity, or entire absence of concentrated feeding-stuffs, and to the impossibility of keeping up the quantity of milk without a more liberal supply of feeding-stuffs for the winter months. Scarcity of labour is also frequently referred to. In a number of instances it is stated that dairying is being given up, or that the size of the herds is being reduced.

6. Unfortunately, it is not possible to compare the *reduction* in the number of cows in the herds in the County as compared with the number, say, in 1913 or 1914, as the figures now available refer to the probable number of cows in milk, while the figures in the dairy herd registers refer to cows of all kinds. There has no doubt, however, been a considerable reduction, and many instances of the giving up of dairying, or of reducing the number of dairy cows kept, are known; but there is no complete information on the point, although it could be got out. The reasons for these changes are believed to be:—

(1) the amount and nature of the labour involved in dairying;

(2) the difficulty of obtaining the necessary labour for conducting a dairy farm;

(3) military demands on farm labour;

(4) high wages;

(5) the difficulty of obtaining winter feeding, and its high cost;

(6) the high price of dairy cattle;

(7) the alleged unremunerative price of milk; and

(8) the more remunerative business of cropping and grazing.

Most of these conditions would still seem to exist, except that the price of milk to the producer has now been fixed at a rate which should encourage milk production.

7. It will be observed that a large quantity of the milk produced in the County is still being made into *butter*, but it has been noted that recently there is a tendency towards a change in this respect, and we are aware of numerous instances of butter-making farmers now disposing of their milk sweet. On the surface, it would appear to be much more profitable for the farmer to do so. There is, however, a large demand for buttermilk, and as its quality is not taken much into consideration, the buttermaker, no doubt, recoups himself to a considerable extent by the sale of the buttermilk. Again, many of the farmers who have been selling butter for many years are unwilling to give up the custom. There is no good reason, however, why, in the meantime at any rate, butter making should be continued when there is such a scarcity of sweet milk. In this connection it might be suggested that farmers who are still making butter, or some of them, should be communicated with to ascertain if they would not be inclined to dispose of their sweet milk, in the meantime, to districts at present requiring milk. A list of the farmers making butter can be prepared.

8. With regard to the prevalent *scarcity* of milk, the reasons for this condition would appear to be:—

(1) the reductions in herds above referred to;

(2) the limited quantities of winter feeding available; and

(3) the usual seasonal scarcity.

Very many complaints have been received, and the scarcity is real. These complaints come almost entirely from the populous localities in the Middle Ward, notably from Bellshill and Mossend, and, undoubtedly, measures are urgently required to increase the supply of milk to these localities. Special reference need not be made to the steps which have been taken to ensure, in specific cases, a sufficient supply of milk for children.

9. The information obtained as to the *distribution* of the milk produced is very interesting, and shows that milk goes beyond the County over a wide area. While it is perhaps not desirable to disturb the ordinary channels of distribution, it does seem strange that milk should be going so far out of the area of its production as Aberdeen, Buckhaven, Carlisle, or Kirkcaldy, and elsewhere, when it is so urgently required in that area. Something should be done to effect an adjustment.

10. With regard to *cheese-making*, practically no cheese is made in the winter time, but it might be noted that at Ryelands Creamery, commencing a fortnight ago, on the instructions of the Ministry of Food, 300 gallons of milk have been daily made into cheese. This, of course, further reduces the amount of sweet milk available. No cheese is being made at Shieldhall Creamery, Thankerton, at present.

11. Means of increasing the supply would appear to be:—

(1) More generous supplies of concentrated feeding-stuffs. Relief in this respect cannot probably be looked for meantime;

(2) Readjustment of distribution. As the question of distribution is in the hands of a department of the Ministry of Food, apparently no action can be taken by the Local Food Control Committee in this respect; and

(3) Diversion of sweet milk used for butter making. As already indicated, an effort might be made in this direction.

JOHN T. WILSON,
County Medical Officer.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 8th November, 1918.

TABLE I

COUNTY OF LANARK (EXCLUSIVE OF BURGHS).
(Estimated population, 286,100.)

ESTIMATE OF QUANTITY OF MILK TO BE PRODUCED DURING PERIOD 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

Probable number of Cows in Milk to be kept during period from 1st October, 1918, to 31st March, 1919, ...	27,265
Probable quantity of Milk to be produced during each of the following months :—	
	Gallons.
1918.—October, ...	1,043,602
1918.—November, ...	971,918½
1918.—December, ...	938,312
1919.—January, ...	904,341
1919.—February, ...	843,214
1919.—March, ...	883,877½
Total, ...	5,585,265

	Gallons.
Quantity of Milk produced during above six months estimated to be sold or used as Milk, ...	4,984,575½
Quantity for making Butter or Cheese, ...	479,329½
Quantity for Feeding Stock, ...	121.360
Total, ...	5,585,265

TABLE II.

COUNTY OF LANARK (EXCLUSIVE OF BURGHS).

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION IN THE THREE WARDS OF THE COUNTY.

	Upper Ward. Population, 44,500.	Middle Ward. Population, 212,000.	Lower Ward. Population, 29,600.	Total for County. Population, 286,100.
Probable number of Cows in Milk to be kept during period from 1st October, 1918, to 31st March, 1919, ...	10,399	15,079	1,787	27,265
Probable quantity of Milk to be produced during each of the following months:—				
1918.—October, ...	369,648½	590,365½	83,588	1,043,602
1918.—November, ...	344,648	546,614½	80,656	971,918½
1918.—December, ...	328,793½	530,374½	79,144	938,312
1919.—January, ...	314,802½	511,115½	78,423	904,341
1919.—February, ...	292,496	476,232	74,486	843,214
1919.—March, ...	297,102	505,383½	81,392	883,877½
Totals, ...	1,947,490½	3,160,085½	477,689	5,585,265
Quantity of Milk produced during above six months estimated to be sold or used as Milk, ...	1,730,545	2,794,044½	459,986	4,984,575½
Quantity for making Butter or Cheese, ...	159,486½	307,382	12,461	479,329½
Quantity for Feeding Stock, ...	57,459	58,659	5,242	121,360
Totals, ...	1,947,490½	3,160,085½	477,689	5,585,265

TABLE III.

COUNTY OF LANARK, EXCLUSIVE OF BURGHS.

ESTIMATED TOTAL PRODUCTION FOR THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919, IN THE UPPER WARD PARISHES.

Parish.	Number of Cows in Milk.	Quantity of Milk to be produced. Gallons.	Quantity to be sold or used as Milk. Gallons.	Quantity for making Butter or Cheese. Gallons.	Quantity for Feeding Stock. Gallons.
Carnwath, ...	1,717	345,597½	317,845	19,207½	8,545
Carluke, ...	1,166	245,916	198,511	42,057	5,348
Douglas, ...	321	60,133	45,069	12,019	3,045
Lesmahagow, ...	2,654	492,281	459,892½	20,893	11,495½
Other Parishes in the Upper Ward,	3,500	612,092	523,420½	63,649	25,022½
Farms sending milk to Shieldhill Creamery, Thankerton, ...	1,041	191,471	185,807	1,661	4,003
Totals,	10,399	1,947,490½	1,730,545	159,486½	57,459

TABLE IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK (EXCLUSIVE OF BURGHS).

ESTIMATED TOTAL PRODUCTION FOR THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919, IN THE MIDDLE WARD PARISHES.

Parish.	Number of Cows in Milk.	Quantity of Milk to be produced. Gallons.	Quantity to be sold or used as Milk. Gallons.	Quantity for making Butter or Cheese. Gallons.	Quantity for Feeding Stock. Gallons.
Avondale, ...	2,112	389,036	354,180	28,098	6,758
Blantyre, ...	340	73,741	67,037	5,279	1,125
Bothwell, ...	1,210	275,814	268,950	6,000	894
Cambuslang, ...	573	156,195	152,778	2,809	908
Cambusnethan, ...	811	168,342	152,542	12,388	3,412
Dalserf, ...	174	96,149	64,265	28,434	3,750
Dalziel, ...	162	41,474	41,194	280	—
East Kilbride, ...	2,804	647,643½	581,047½	57,269	9,327
Glasford, ...	1,010	202,737	159,701	37,511	5,525
Hamilton, ...	921	197,531	177,589	18,172	1,770
New Monkland, ...	899	167,623	126,437	33,459	7,727
Old Monkland, ...	557	133,822	125,700	6,966	1,156
Shotts, ...	1,228	252,158	187,302	55,250	9,606
Stonehouse, ...	697	130,964	113,644	11,305	3,015
Farms sending milk to Ryelands Creamery, Strathaven,* ...	1,251	226,226	221,678	1,162	3,386
Totals, ...	15,079	3,160,085½	2,794,044½	307,382	58,659

* Includes two farms in Ayrshire.

TABLE V.

COUNTY OF LANARK, EXCLUSIVE OF BURGHS.

ESTIMATED TOTAL PRODUCTION FOR THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919, IN THE LOWER WARD PARISHES.

Parish.	Number of Cows in Milk.	Quantity of Milk to be produced Gallons.	Quantity to be sold or used as Milk. Gallons.	Quantity for making Butter or Cheese. Gallons.	Quantity for Feeding Stock. Gallons.
Barony, ...	313	83,309	82,122	547	640
Cadder, ...	858	227,649	213,633	10,770	3,246
Carmunnock, ...	513	136,832	131,682	994	1,156
Rutherglen, ...	103	29,899	29,549	150	200
Totals, ...	1,787	477,689	459,986	12,461	5,242

TABLE VI.

COUNTY OF LANARK (EXCLUSIVE OF CREAMERIES).*

DISTRIBUTION OF MILK SOLD OR USED AS MILK IN THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

	Gallons.
Quantity to be sold or used as Milk, ...	4,577,090½
Distributed within the County, ...	1,478,580
Distributed outwith the County, ...	3,098,510½

Details of Distribution outwith the County:—

	Gallons.		Gallons.
Glasgow, ...	1,706,334½	Greenock, ...	11,684
Motherwell, ...	270,819	Galston Creamery, ...	9,391
Coatbridge, ...	215,026	Clydebank, ...	8,200
Edinburgh, ...	192,456	Eaglesham, ...	6,654
Hamilton, ...	168,925	Penicuik, ...	3,800
Leith, ...	141,207	Buckhaven, ...	2,577
Wishaw, ...	133,966	Kirkcaldy, ...	2,470
Rutherglen, ...	86,018	Musselburgh, ...	1,650
Lanark, ...	50,744	Port-Glasgow, ...	1,055
Airdrie, ...	41,087	Biggar, ...	1,004
Aberdeen, ...	22,585	Wanlockhead, ...	638
Midlothian, ...	19,583	Slamannan, ...	637

* See Tables X and XI for distribution from Creameries.

TABLE VII.

UPPER WARD (EXCLUSIVE OF SHIELDHILL CREAMERY, THANKERTON).*

DISTRIBUTION OF MILK SOLD OR USED AS MILK IN THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

	Gallons.
Quantity to be sold or used as Milk, ...	1,544,738
Distributed within the District, ...	240,265
Distributed outwith the District, ...	1,304,473

Details of Distribution outwith the District:—

	Gallons.		Gallons.
Glasgow, ...	532,114	Larkhall, ...	5,320
Edinburgh, ...	183,586	New Stevenston, ...	3,880
Motherwell, ...	155,395	Penicuik, ...	3,800
Leith, ...	141,207	Blantyre, ...	3,596
Wishaw, ...	83,334	Buckhaven, ...	2,577
Coatbridge, ...	60,454	Kirkcaldy, ...	2,470
Lanark, ...	50,744	Midlothian, ...	1,575
Aberdeen, ...	22,585	Musselburgh, ...	1,650
Bellshill, ...	12,530	Port-Glasgow, ...	1,055
Greenock, ...	11,684	Biggar, ...	1,004
Clydebank, ...	8,200	Overtown, ...	1,004
Uddingston, ...	7,155	Wanlockhead, ...	638
Newmains, ...	6,916		

* See Table X for distribution.

TABLE VIII.

MIDDLE WARD (EXCLUSIVE OF RYELANDS CREAMERY, STRATHAVEN).*

DISTRIBUTION OF MILK SOLD OR USED AS MILK IN THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

	Gallons.
Quantity to be sold or used as Milk, ...	2,572,366½
Distributed within the District, ...	1,057,035
Distributed outwith the District, ...	1,515,331½

Details of Distribution outwith the District:—

	Gallons.		Gallons.
Glasgow, ...	882,956½	Airdrie, ...	41,087
Hamilton, ...	168,925	Midlothian, ...	18,008
Coatbridge, ...	146,738	Galston Creamery, ...	9,391
Motherwell, ...	115,424	Edinburgh, ...	8,870
Rutherglen, ...	66,009	Eaglesham, ...	6,654
Wishaw, ...	50,632	Slamannan, ...	637

* See Table XI for distribution.

TABLE IX.

LOWER WARD.

DISTRIBUTION OF MILK SOLD OR USED AS MILK IN THE SIX MONTHS 1ST OCTOBER, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

	Gallons.
Quantity to be sold or used as Milk, ...	459,986
Distributed within the District, ...	128,995
Distributed outwith the District, ...	330,991

Details of Distribution outwith the District:—

	Gallons.		Gallons.
Glasgow, ...	291,264	Coatbridge, ...	7,834
Rutherglen, ...	20,009	Easterhouse, ...	2,184
Cambuslang, ...	9,700		

TABLE X.

UPPER WARD.—SHIELDHALL CREAMERY, THANKERTON.

DISTRIBUTION OF MILK ON 5TH NOVEMBER, 1918.

	Gallons.
Quantity received, ...	1,260

Distributed as follows:—

	Gallons.
Edinburgh and Leith, ...	611
Motherwell, Wishaw, and Coatbridge, ...	259
Clydebank, Greenock, and Port-Glasgow, ...	205
Glasgow, ...	120
Peebles, ...	32
Carlisle, ...	30
Loss, ...	3

TABLE XI.

MIDDLE WARD.—RYELANDS CREAMERY, STRATHAVEN.

AVERAGE DAILY DISTRIBUTION OF MILK IN OCTOBER, 1918.

	Gallons.
Quantity received, ...	1,742

Distributed as follows:—

	Gallons.		Gallons.
Glasgow, ...	974	Wishaw, ...	48
Motherwell, ...	240	Uddingston, ...	36
Coatbridge, ...	144	Blantyre, ...	30
Clydebank, ...	90	Dumbarton, ...	24
Bellshill, ...	72	Hamilton, ...	12
Rutherglen, ...	60	Cambuslang, ...	12

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

23rd December, 1918.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 23rd December, 1918, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee appointed for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar on Orders relating to Flour and Bread.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
Gavin Hamilton.
W. K. Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Thomas M'Auslin.
Mrs. Neish.
William Small.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Lady Wilson.

Attending—

Mr. W. T. M'Gillivray, Inspector.

Chairman.

Mr. William Love, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 21st October, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Application for permission to charge prices for bread in excess of price fixed by Food Controller.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Sub-Executive Officer at Biggar, asking that the small village shops in that area which sold bread should be allowed to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf. The Sub-Executive Officer pointed out that when the price of bread was 9d. per 4-lb. loaf these shops had been allowed to charge 9½d., and the sub-committee were of opinion that they ought now to be allowed to charge the extra ½d.

There were also submitted applications from Mrs. E. Brown, Elvanfoot, and Miss Helen H. Galloway, Abington, for permission to charge 11d. for the 4-lb. loaf, on the ground that it was impossible to sell bread at 10d., owing to the high rate of carriage on the bread which had to be imported.

The sub-committee agreed to grant the request of the Sub-Executive Officer at Biggar, and to authorise the village shops referred to to charge 10d. for the 4-lb. loaf. They were, however, of opinion that no sufficient reason had been given by Mrs. E. Brown or Miss Helen H. Galloway for charging such a high price as 11d. for the 4-lb. loaf, and in the case of these traders they decided to authorise a charge of 10½d. only for the 4-lb. loaf.

Charge for delivery of bread.

The Clerk submitted a correspondence which he had had with Mr. R. S. Rutherford, solicitor, Edinburgh, on behalf of Messrs. James Dobbie and James Gibson, bakers, Biggar, who were charging 1d. for delivery of the 4-lb. loaf. Objection had been taken to this charge, and the Clerk had intimated to Mr. Rutherford that he would report the circumstances to the sub-committee. The sub-committee were of opinion that, while they could not legally object

to the charge of 1d. for delivery in any case where the bread had been previously ordered, they should not permit the charge to be exacted in the case of ordinary sales from the van, and remitted to the Inspector to see that their views were given effect to.

Licenses for use of flour for sausage rusks.

There were submitted copies of a number of licenses granted to Mr. George Mackie, Cambuslang, for the use of flour to enable him to manufacture rusks for sausages.

Withdrawal of restrictions on use of imported flour.

The Clerk reported that, in consequence of the extraction of the percentage of offals from home-milled flour having been recently increased, the home-milled article was now almost identical in appearance with imported flour, and that, in view of this, the Ministry of Food had now intimated the withdrawal of all restrictions on the sale and use of imported flour for human consumption.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-MEETING OF LANARK COURT HOUSE COMMISSIONERS AND JOINT-COMMITTEE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 16th December, 1918, being a Joint Meeting of the Lanark Court House Commissioners and the Joint-Committee for the Management of the County Buildings at Lanark. 16th December, 1918.

Present—

Of the Lanark Court House Commissioners—

Gavin Hamilton.	Andrew Murdoch.
William K. Jackson.	Peter MacAuslan.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.	Alexander Pillans.
	William Wilson.

Of the Joint-Committee for the Management of the County Buildings, in addition to the above-named—

Provost Lamb.	Dean of Guild John Swan.

Attending—

James Annan, Town Clerk.

Provost Lamb presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, there were submitted copies of the notices calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

There having been submitted an application by Mr. Veitch, Keeper of the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark, for an increase of salary, the Clerk stated that Mr. Veitch's present salary was £100 per annum, with the addition of a war bonus of 5s. per week. The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the Keeper's salary be increased to £120 per annum, as from 11th November, 1918, and that the war bonus payable to him should cease as from that date. Application by Keeper for increase of salary.

It was agreed that the proportion of the Caretaker's salary to be borne by the County Council should be £75 per annum, and by the Town Council of Lanark £45 per annum, the arrangement to take effect as from the term of Martinmas, 1918.

Bookcases for Sheriff Harvey's law books.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 25th February last, the Clerk reported that Sheriff Harvey had intimated a desire to purchase the bookcases which had been made for his law books, and that the matter had been considered at an informal meeting of the committee, when they had agreed to accede to the request. The meeting approved.

Further office accommodation for officials of District Committee.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Lanark, 28th November, 1918.

"Dear Sir,

"County Buildings and Sheriff Court Houses at Lanark.

"At a meeting held here, on Tuesday last, of a sub-committee appointed by the District Committee to consider and report on the question of acquiring further office accommodation for the officials of the District Committee, which has become clamant, owing to the increase of the staff for Child Welfare work, &c., and to the anticipated early return of members of the staff on military service, the possibility of securing accommodation in the County Buildings—say, for the needs of my own department—was raised.

"The committee feel that the allocation of the office accommodation in these buildings might, with advantage, be inquired into by the Committees of Management, and, in my capacity as Clerk to the Court House Commissioners, I was requested to endeavour to arrange with you for a joint meeting of the Commissioners and your committee in charge of the Sheriff Court Houses.

"Yours faithfully,

"A. W. PATERSON."

After discussion, and an interchange of views, it was remitted to the County Clerk to ascertain whether additional accommodation could be made available for the District Clerk, and to report.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 8th January, 1919.

Present—

William Barr.	Alexander A. Keith.
James Cameron.	Robert Lambie.
John Campbell.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
W. W. Chapman.	William Love.
William Davie.	James C. Pollock.
George Fraser.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Gardner.	
William K. Jackson.	

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the board, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the board, of date 4th September, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted a recommendation by the District Committee of the Upper Ward, that the following should be declared to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of the Roads, Highways and Bridges, made up under Section 41 thereof:— Addition to List of Highways.

Parish of Pettinain.

Road leading from the Pettinain and Lanark Road to Pettinain Churchyard gate, and extending to 69 yards or thereby.

The meeting, after consideration, resolved to recommend the County Council that the road above mentioned should be declared to be a highway within the

meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of the Roads, Highways and Bridges, made up under Section 41 thereof.

Road and Bridge Programme for 1919-20.—Circular letter from Imperial Road Board.

There was submitted a circular letter from the Imperial Road Board, dated 17th December, 1918, on the subject of the Road and Bridge Programme for 1919-20, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

The meeting, in considering the question, had also in view the remit made by the County Council to a Special Committee appointed in connection with the matter of Reconstruction after the War, particularly with reference to the improvement of highways for the purpose of providing additional transport facilities.

After consideration, the meeting agreed that, in order to ensure local co-ordination, it was desirable that the proposals, so far as relating to this County, should be dealt with as a whole, and that the matter should be considered jointly by the Board and the District Committees. The Clerk was accordingly instructed to communicate with the Clerks to the several District Committees, asking them to submit any proposals their respective District Committees might have to make.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction. — 8th January, 1919.

Present—

James Cameron. — James C. Pollok.
William K. Jackson. — Col. Sir Robt. King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

John A. Warren, of Messrs Warren & Stewart, C.E.
Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart. K.B.E., chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 27th November, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. — Minutes of last meeting.

Sir Thomas Munro stated that he had taken an opportunity, when in London, of calling at the offices of the Ministry of Reconstruction, where he had had an interview with Mr. Vaughan Nash, Secretary to the Ministry, who had expressed his desire to afford every assistance possible in connection with any scheme of reconstruction which this County Council desired to submit. — Clerk's meeting with Ministry of Reconstruction.

The Clerk informed the meeting of the arrangements which he had made for the inspection of the route of the proposed railway, on Friday next, of which the meeting approved. — Arrangements made for inspection of route of proposed railway.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

10th January, 1919. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Friday, 10th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction.

Present—

WILLIAM K. JACKSON. Col. Sir ROBT. KING STEWART, K.B.E.
ANDREW M'ANULTY. JOSEPH SULLIVAN.

Attending—

JOHN A. WARREN (of Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.).

Chairman. Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Inspection of route of proposed railway. The Clerk again laid before the meeting a map showing the proposed railway from Glasgow to Strathaven, and the branch line from a point near Chapelton to Eaglesham and Newton Mearns. The members of the sub-committee thereafter proceeded by motor car to inspect the route of the proposed railway, and at different points viewed the configuration of the land. On reaching Strathaven the members were joined by Messrs. James Cameron and James C. Pollok, and also by Mr. Watson, the District Road Surveyor. The journey was then resumed along the road leading from Strathaven to Kirkmuirhill, which was inspected by the sub-committee.

Mr. Cameron suggests certain improvements. On returning to Strathaven, Mr. Cameron pointed out certain improvements which it would be necessary should be effected if the through main road were to form an alternative route to the Glasgow and Carlisle Highway.

The members thereafter proceeded to inspect the route of the proposed branch railway, from a point near Chapelton to Eaglesham and Mearns.

Views of the committee. As a result of the inspection, the members of the sub-committee were impressed with the advantages which the construction of a railway on the lines suggested would afford, and also with the need for opening up the district through which the proposed branch line to Eaglesham and Mearns would run.

Mr. Warren to prepare further plans. It was remitted to Mr. Warren to prepare plans showing more accurately the line of the proposed railway, together with the branch lines referred to; and also to consider the alternative suggestions which were made with regard to the improvement of the road from Strathaven to Kirkmuirhill and to report.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 8th January, 1919.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Gavin Hamilton.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart K.B.E.
Robert Lambie.	
William Love.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 4th December, 1918, which had already been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, at their meeting on 11th December, 1918, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £76,239 4s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted, and initialed by Mr. Mack and Mr. Lambie. — Accounts and requisitions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee: — Statement of loan indebtedness.

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 4th January, 1919.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,583,748 12 6
Loans repaid since last meeting. ...	£30,951 0 0	
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	23,238 7 6	
		7,712 12 6
		£1,576,036 0 0
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts.		11,314 18 5
		£1,587,350 18 5

The County Fund stands at £88,620 1s. 5d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt,	...	...	£85,000 0 0
On Account Current,	...	...	3,620 1 5
			£88,620 1 5

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Statement of collection of assessments.

The Clerk submitted also the following statement of the collection of assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AS AT 3RD JANUARY, 1919.

	General Heritages.	Railway, &c.	Total.
Amount imposed, - -	£300,487 13 0	£39,838 5 8	£340,325 18 8
Do. collected, - -	117,060 12 7	4,546 14 6	121,607 7 1
Percentage collected at above date this year, -	38 69	11·41	35·73
Do. last year, -	41·08	9·50	37·57

Number of payments at above date, - - - - - -	25,891
Corresponding number last year, - - - - - -	26,624
Decrease this year, - - - - -	733

Date for close of collection.

The meeting fixed the 15th day of February as the date for the close of the collection of assessments.

Middle Ward Water requisition.

There was laid before the meeting the undernoted requisition by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking:—

Camps Scheme, dated 27th December, 1918,... £2,235 17 4

Youthful offenders. — James Kerr, Carfin.

The meeting adopted a guarantee given under the Children Act by the Clerk, in accordance with the usual practice, to the Rossie Reformatory, Montrose, for the maintenance charges of 6s. 6d. per week in respect of James Kerr, Carfin, a youthful offender, convicted of theft and committed to that institution by the Sheriff-Substitute at Hamilton.

County Auditor's fee.—Letter from Scottish Office.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 4th September, 1918, granting the County Auditor an increase of £100, the Clerk reported that, following a correspondence, the Secretary for Scotland had, under date 31st December, 1918, approved such increase in the combined salary and allowances of Mr. Rintoul, as from 1917-18, thus raising the salary and allowances to £550; but on the understanding "that it is not intended to propose that any further increase should be made to cover increased costs of performing the audit arising out of war conditions."

Reformatory schools.—Circular letter from Scottish Office.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 5th April, 1917, and 5th September, 1917, dealing with contributions to reformatory schools, the Clerk submitted a further circular letter from the Scottish Office on the same subject, in the following terms:—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W.1, 7th December, 1918.

"SIR,

"I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to say that he has had under consideration the question of the need for increased grants for the maintenance of boys and girls committed to reformatory schools.

"For the year ended 31st March last, the normal Treasury grants were, as stated in the circular letter from this Department, of 25th August, 1917, increased by 1s. per head per week, on condition that a similar increase was made by the Local Authority.

"An examination of accounts recently submitted by the schools shows that the boys' reformatories generally need an increase over the pre-war rates of not less than 4s. per head per week, and the girls' school need an increase over pre-war rates of not less than 5s. per head per week. The difference between the rates required by boys' schools and the rates required by girls' schools is due to the fact that in most boys' reformatories the earnings of the boys working, either on the school farms or in other employments, are larger than they were before the war.

"The additional payments required should be shared between the Treasury and the Local Authorities, and the Secretary for Scotland has obtained the consent of the Treasury to pay for the current financial year an increase over the pre-war grants of 2s. per head per week in the case of boys' reformatories, and 2s. 6d. per head per week in the case of girls' reformatories, on condition that similar increases are made by the Local Authorities beyond the rates prescribed in the circular letter from this Department of 5th March, 1917, viz.:—

For each boy,	... ...	3s. 6d. a week.
For each girl,	... ...	3s. ,,

"Last year all the Local Authorities increased their pre-war rates by at least 1s., and the Secretary for Scotland trusts that all Authorities will now increase their grants *pro rata* with the increase in the Treasury grants.

"I am, SIR,
"Your obedient Servant,
"JAMES M. DODDS."

Report thereon by Clerk.

The Clerk reminded the meeting of the committee's decisions when the matter was previously before them, and reported that all the contributions made by the County Council were in excess of the above minimum charges prescribed by the Secretary for Scotland, except in one case, which he was authorised to bring within the scope of the circular letter.

Storage of voting compartments and ballot boxes.—Communication from Treasury.

There was submitted a letter from the Scottish Office, transmitting copy of a communication from the Treasury in the following terms:—

"Treasury Chambers,
"14th December, 1918.

"SIR,

"With reference to Mr. Lamb's letter, of the 21st ultimo (10728/503), the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have had under consideration the question of the storage of voting compartments and

ballot boxes during the periods between one General Election and another. As you are aware, the great majority of both these articles belong to His Majesty's Government, but it would undoubtedly be of convenience and an economy to Local Authorities if they were allowed to use them at their own local elections for the County Council, &c. This My Lords would be quite prepared to allow, provided that, for their part, Local Authorities were willing to store these articles and to produce them on the occasion of General Elections or Bye-Elections, conveyance charges being borne by the Exchequer. As regards the ballot boxes, the best arrangement would appear to be that they should be stored, as far as possible, in the place where the poll is declared. The voting compartments, on the other hand, could most conveniently be disposed of by leaving them, throughout the Country, in the various schools and other public buildings which are used as polling stations.

"In consideration of the free use by Local Authorities of these articles for their own elections, it further appears to Their Lordships only reasonable that they, on their side, should, in the future, allow the Government the use of such voting compartments and ballot boxes as now belong to them. My Lords understand that only a comparatively small percentage of the articles required belong to Local Authorities, and they anticipate that no objection will be raised by them to this suggestion.

"My Lords would be obliged if the Secretary for Scotland would cause Local Authorities to be circularised, with a view to ascertaining whether they would be prepared to agree to the above proposals.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

"T. L. HEATH."

Committee's recommendation.

The meeting, after consideration and hearing the Clerk's explanations of the practice at present followed, agreed to recommend the County Council to approve the above proposals, on the understanding that the County Council's responsibilities would be limited to the mere provision of storage in their own buildings.

Naval and Military War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act.—Communication from Scottish Office.

There was laid upon the table letter from the Scottish Office, of date 16th December, 1918, drawing attention to the War Pensions (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, the effect of which is that, as from the 1st proximo, these expenses are made chargeable to the Ministry of Pensions and not to the Local Authority, and estimates of them are to be submitted to the Ministry.

Police pay. — Communication from Scottish Office.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 4th December, 1918, containing new rates of Police pay approved by the Secretary for Scotland, the following circular letter, issued by the Secretary for Scotland to Scottish County and Town Clerks, was submitted:—

"5th December, 1918.

SIR,

SCOTTISH POLICE PAY.—SUGGESTED STANDARD SCALE.

I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to refer to the circulars from this office, No. 1297 of October 4th, and No. 1311 of October 23rd last, on the subject of Police pay. In the earlier circular Mr. Munro announced the additional Parliamentary Grant to Police Authorities (the object of which is to bring the Government contribution in aid of Police expenditure to one half of the net cost of the Police service). He suggested that a favourable

opportunity was thus provided for increasing the pay of the Police to an amount adequate to meet existing conditions, and invited Police Authorities to take the matter into immediate consideration. In the circular of October 23rd the Secretary for Scotland further suggested improved model scales for the consideration of Police Authorities, the maximum scale being that recently adopted and sanctioned for the Glasgow Force, the highest-paid Force in Scotland.

These circulars have elicited a ready response from many Police Authorities, and the Secretary for Scotland has given his sanction to improved scales in a number of Forces. Conferences to discuss the matter have also been held by County and Burgh Authorities, and Mr. Munro has received various deputations. It now appears that, as a result of the further opportunities of consideration afforded by the discussions above mentioned, and by the comparisons which have been drawn between Police conditions in different parts of the country, there is a general feeling among Police Authorities that the scales suggested in the recent circular do not sufficiently meet the requirements of the case. Mr. Munro on his part has come to a similar conclusion, and is prepared to reconsider the model scales accordingly.

It has been strongly urged upon the Secretary for Scotland that the existence of many varying rates of Police pay is undesirable as tending to give rise to a sense of unequal treatment, and that it is advisable, with a view to precluding any reasonable ground of grievance, to introduce, as nearly as circumstances permit, a standard rate of pay for the Police. An endeavour in this direction has been made in England, and in proposing any standard for Scotland the pay given to men performing similar duty south of the Border cannot be left out of account. In fixing any final standard it would be necessary to allow for the different arrangements now prevailing in regard not only to pay, but to allowances, rent-free quarters, &c., but it seems quite possible to name a provisional standard as the pensionable rate at which Police Authorities should aim.

After full inquiry and consultation the Secretary for Scotland has now decided to suggest, instead of the model scales appended to the circular of October 23rd, the same provisional standard scale which has been fixed by the Home Secretary for England and Wales, viz.:—

Constables, 40s. a week, rising by annual increments of 1s. to 48s., with a further increment of 1s. at the completion of 15 years, and another 1s. after 20 years.

Sergeants, 53s. a week, rising by annual increments of 1s. to 57s.

In fixing the above provisional standard for England and Wales, the Home Secretary informed Police Authorities that the scale is 3s. below the scale recently fixed for the Metropolitan Police, and added that he would agree to its being raised to the amount of the Metropolitan scale in these Police areas where the cost of living and conditions of service can be shown to be similar to those in London. Mr. Munro will also be prepared to consider favourably applications for the higher (*i.e.*, Metropolitan) rate of pay where such evidence is forthcoming regarding Police areas in Scotland.

The Secretary for Scotland strongly recommends Police Authorities whose rates are substantially below the suggested standard to take the matter up at once with a view to an early decision. The superior officers, &c., Chief and Deputy Chief Constables, Superintendents, Lieutenants, and Inspectors, should, in the opinion of the Secretary for Scotland, be placed on scales affording them substantial increases over pre-War standards.

I am to add that the subject of Police pensions is engaging Mr. Munro's attention, and that he will be glad to receive any indication of the views of Police Authorities regarding it.

I am, &c.,

JAMES M. DODDS."

Scale approved.

It having been explained that the new scale had the approval of a conference of County Police Authorities and of the Standing Joint-Committee of this County, the meeting unanimously agreed to recommend the adoption of the standard scale of pay for constables and sergeants now issued by the Scottish Office—the new scale to come into operation as from the first pay day in January, 1919, the present war bonuses and allowances for children to continue to be paid, and no alteration to be made on the existing arrangements under which members of the Force are housed.

Recommendation as to rate of pay for certain sergeants.

The committee also approved of the Standing Joint-Committee's recommendation to draw the attention of the Secretary for Scotland to the fact that, under the scale lately approved by him for Lanarkshire, the highest rate of pay for sergeants was 58s. 4d. per week, while under the new scale now adopted the highest rate would be 57s. per week, and to suggest that the new scale might be extended to remove the anomaly of the senior sergeants suffering a reduction of pay under a scale which provided increased emoluments for their juniors.

Application to Treasury for consent to continuance of Lands Valuation Assessors.

The Clerk having drawn the attention of the meeting to the enactment in the Representation of the People Act, 1918, that—

"From and after the date when the first Register under this Act "shall have been completed, an Officer of Inland Revenue shall not be "appointed or continue to act as Assessor for any Burgh or County under "the Valuation Acts without the consent of the Treasury."

it was agreed that the Clerk should make the required application for the continuance of the services of the present Surveyors of Taxes—Mr. S. D. Easton, Mr. S. H. Francis, and Mr. G. W. Hare.

The Clerk made a statement with reference to the existing system under which the Valuation Roll was made up, and referred to difficulties encountered which, if not temporary, might make it necessary for him to report on the efficiency of the system to the County Council, and that, if he found this necessary, he would do so under the remit to him from this committee, of date 10th January, 1918, to submit a statement of the approximate cost to the County in the event of the County Council appointing their own Assessors after a year's experience of the working of the new Register of Voters had been obtained.

The meeting approved, and, meantime, remitted to the Clerk to interview the Assessors and the Board of Inland Revenue in the matter.

Lands valuation cases.—Results of stated cases.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 6th November, 1918, the Clerk reported that the stated case taken by Mrs. E. Bowen against the decision of the Lands Valuation Committee for the Upper Ward had not been proceeded with, while the case taken by the Etna Iron and Steel Company against the decision of the Lands Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward had been heard by the Lands Valuation Judges, who had adhered to that committee's decision.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting application for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sum to meet the cost of capital works:— Application relative to borrowing.

Middle Ward.

£300 for the provision and erection of lamps and the laying of service pipes for lighting Wellshot village, within Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

The meeting having considered the above application, and the information submitted in relation to it, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sum above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the application to that committee for their consent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 5th February, 1919.

Present—

John Adam.	Alexander Pillans.
William Barr.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
George Fraser.	
Gavin Hamilton.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	William B. Thomson.
William Love.	John Train.
A. D. Mack.	Thomas Watt.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 8th January, 1919, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £79,919 6s. 3d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail were also submitted, and initialed by Mr. Mack and Mr. Lambie. Accounts and requisitions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:— Statement of loan indebtedness.

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 1st February, 1919.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,576,036	0 0
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£32,234 10 0		
Loans taken do., ...	15,655 6 11		
		16,579	3 1
		£1,559,456	16 11
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		16,546	17 3
		£1,576,003	14 2

The County Fund stands at £158,149 12s. 10d. to the credit, made up as follows, viz. :—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£150,000	0 0
On Account current, ...	8,149	12 10
	£158,149	12 10

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgements.

The official acknowledgements for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Statement of collection of assessments.

The Clerk laid upon the table the following statement of collection of assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AS AT 31ST JANUARY, 1919.

	Gen. Heritages.	Railways.	Total.
Amount imposed, ...	£302,495 18 2	£39,838 5 8	£342,334 3 10
Do. collected, ...	242,011 15 1	34,966 14 8	276,978 9 9
Percentage collected to date,	80·00	87·77	80·91
Do. last year,	81·23	91·35	82·32

Number of payments to date, ...	40,697
Corresponding number last year, ...	41,533
Decrease, ...	836

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

Camp's Scheme, dated 22nd January, 1919, ...	£484	1 8
Camp's Scheme, dated 31st January, 1919, ...	1,557	3 2

Kibble Reformatory Institution. — Maintenance charges increased.

At the request of the Directors of the Kibble Institute, Paisley, the meeting in view of the information placed before them, agreed to the contribution for each boy committed from this County to that Institution being raised from £15 to £17 per annum.

War Pension's Administrative Expenses, 1918-19. — Supplementary Estimates.

Under reference to minutes of meeting of this committee, of date 4th December, 1918, approving the Supplementary Estimates of the Local Committee under the Naval and Military War Pensions (Administrative Expenses) Act, and instructing their transmission to the Scottish Office for the approval of the Secretary for Scotland as requested by Statute, the Clerk reported that these instructions had been carried out, and he submitted and read the Scottish Office reply, which was in the following terms :—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W. 1, 22nd January, 1919.

Letter from Secretary for Scotland.

"SIR,

"WAR PENSIONS (ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES), 1918-19.

"With reference to your letter of the 15th ultimo and enclosures, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state that, having communicated with the Ministry of Pensions, he approves, subject as understated, the Supplementary Estimate of Administrative Expenses of the Lanark County Local Committee for the year 1918-19, as submitted, at a total of Three thousand four hundred and thirty-seven pounds ten shillings (£3,437 10s.).

"I am to add:—

"(1) that the increase of salaries is only sanctioned on the distinct understanding that it represents additional expenditure by the County Council, which would not have been incurred but for the establishment of the Local Committee.

"(2) That the Minister of Pensions is of opinion that the expenditure on printing is excessive and extravagant, and that the Local Committee should seriously consider this matter, with a view to the reduction of this item in future estimates.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) "JAMES M. DODDS."

Committee's reply to observations in Secretary for Scotland's letter.

As regards (1) being the observations of the Secretary for Scotland, the meeting were agreed that his understanding was correct as to the conditions under which the increase in salaries was made. As regards (2) being the observations of the Ministry of Pensions, the meeting, after hearing the Clerk's explanation, in which he pointed out that there was not a special heading for "Printing" in the Estimates, but that the heading was "Stationery, Printing, Postages, Telegrams, Telephone Calls, and Advertising," and that postages, telegrams, and telephones would alone approximate to about one-half of the £1,200 under observation, and further, that, in the Local Committee's opinion, the only expenditure for printing which could have been avoided was the reprinting of the Ministry of Pension's forms in connection with the allocation of the expenditure on grants and allowances, rendered necessary by the alteration and extension of the Regulations of the Ministry, instructed the Clerk to submit these points to the Secretary for Scotland.

Police honorarium granted to Chief Constable.

The Clerk reported that the Standing Joint-Committee had, at their last meeting, subject to the consent of the County Council and the Secretary for Scotland, agreed to recommend that Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County, be granted a honorarium of £250 in recognition of his services during the War. The meeting approved.

Letter from Secretary for Scotland approving of revised rates of pay for constables and sergeants, and of Captain Despard's honorarium.

Under reference to the preceding paragraph and to the minutes of last meeting of this committee revising the rates of pay for constables and sergeants, the Clerk submitted and read the following reply from the Scottish Office, viz.:—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W. 1,
"28th December, 1918.

"18036/69.

"SIR,

"With reference to your letter of 12th instant, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to intimate his approval to the adoption, as from 10th proximo, of the following revised rates of pay for the sergeants and constables of the Lanarkshire Constabulary, viz.:—

"Sergeants, ... 53s. a week, rising by annual increments of 1s. to 57s.
"Constables, ... 40s. a week, rising by annual increments of 1s. to 48s., with a further increment of 1s. at the completion of 15 years, and another 1s. after 20 years.

"The Secretary for Scotland is aware that the maximum rate under this scale for sergeants is less than the maximum under the scale approved in the letter from this Department of 13th ultimo. He would, therefore, propose that approval of the new scale should be conditional on the present sergeants being allowed to elect to remain on the existing scale rather than to come on the new scale, and I am to inquire whether this arrangement would meet the wishes of the Standing Joint-Committee.

"The continuance of Merit Pay of 2s. a week for sergeants and 1s. a week for constables, to a number not exceeding 10 per cent. of the total authorised strength of the force, is also sanctioned.

"The Secretary for Scotland further approves of the Standing Joint-Committee's proposals to grant a honorarium of £250 to the Chief Constable in recognition of his services during the War.

"I am, SIR,
"Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd.) "JAMES M. DODDS."

Representation of the People Act, 1918. —Communications from Scottish Office as to Scale of Expenses.

The Clerk reported communications from the Scottish Office, of dates 30th and 31st January respectively, with reference to the scale of expenses under the Representation of the People Act, 1918—

(*a*) Advising the following new Order by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz.:—

For purposes of expenses.—Number of Absent Voters to be counted in addition to number of Electors in Registers.

(1) For the purpose of estimating the Registration Officer's salary and expenses under Part 1 of the aforesaid scale, the number of absent voters included in the Absent Voters' Lists may be counted in addition to the number of electors appearing in the Registers.

(2) The Treasury Order of 16th September, 1918, is hereby revoked.

(Signed) JAMES F. HOPE.
JAMES PARKER.

Treasury Chambers,
28th January, 1919.

Certain expenditure between given dates in connection with Absent Voters' Lists to be regarded as Returning Officers' Expenses.

(*b*) intimating that so much expenditure as falls upon Registration Officers in Scotland in correcting the record of addresses in the Absent Voters' Lists between the announcement of the election (14th November) and the declaration of the poll (28th December) would be regarded as Returning Officers' Expenses, for which a separate account should be sent in by the Local Authorities when making their Claim under Section 15 (4).

Post - War Housing. — Government Financial Terms.—Circular letter from Mr. W. E. Whyte, District Clerk of Middle Ward.

Following upon a circular letter, of date 24th January, from Mr. W. E. Whyte, District Clerk of the Middle Ward, advising that his Committee had had under consideration the Government Financial terms for Post-War Housing, particularly with regard to (1) the limitation of the liability of Local Authorities undertaking Housing Schemes, and (2) the rentals to be charged for the new houses, and had adopted resolutions on the subject, the meeting agreed, after consideration, to recommend the County Council to pass the following resolution :—

"Having regard to the serious conditions obtaining generally throughout the country, due to insufficient and improper housing of the people and the fact that Local Authorities are unwilling to formulate adequate schemes of Housing on account of the uncertainty of the charge which may thereby fall upon the local rates, this Local Authority earnestly urges the Government to review their financial terms for Post-War Housing, and to limit the liability of Local Authorities undertaking suitable and adequate Housing Schemes to the produce of a rate of 1d. per £ on the area concerned."

Police Pensions Fund.—£4,000 to be reinvested with Burgh of Hamilton.

With reference to the Mortgages p. £4,000 and £1,000 invested with the Town Council of Hamilton for behoof of the Police Pension Fund, and maturing at Whitsunday, 1919, the Clerk was authorised to accept the Town Council's offer to renew the Mortgages for a further period of three years at 5 per cent per annum.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works :—

£250 for erection of public urinals within Larkhall Scavenging District.

£40 for the supplying and fitting up of two small radiators, with all necessary fittings, &c., at Shotts Sanatorium.

£77 10s. for the widening and improvement of the road in front of Rosebank U.F. Church, Cambuslang.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submittd in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that Committee for their consent.

Report of Sub-Committee on Staffing Arrangements.

By way of Report the Sub-Committee on the Staffing Arrangements of the County Clerk's Office submitted their Minutes (Appendix).

List of sub-committees recommendations submitted.

There was at same time submitted the list of the sub-committees recommendations referred to in said minutes, a copy of which was handed to each member present.

Committee's revisal.

The committee, having gone through the list *seriatim*, and been advised of the reasons that had actuated the sub-committee in coming to their decisions, unanimously agreed to approve thereof, subject to a revisal in one case, the effect of which is to raise the number of the staff getting immediate increases from 27 to 28, and the total increase from £1,225 to £1,325.

Bonuses to be withdrawn except in special cases.

The meeting, while approving of the withdrawal of the bonuses at present payable to the members of the staff not on service, in whose cases increases of salary had been recommended, agreed that the Clerk should have power to continue the principle in one or two cases of salaries of £150 and under, to which special attention was drawn, the bonus in each such case to be regarded as temporary, and, with salary, not to exceed the maximum remuneration of the grades involved, viz., £175 and £150 respectively.

List, as revised, to lie on the table at next County Council meeting.

It was agreed that, as usual, the detailed statement of the committee's recommendations should lie on the table at the next meeting of the County Council.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS OF COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee appointed to deal with the Staffing Arrangements of the County Clerk's Office. 8th January, 1919.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart.

William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk laid upon the table the remit to the sub-committee, as contained in the minutes of meeting of the Finance Committee, of date 4th December, 1918, viz.:— Remit.

"In view of demobilisation of the Forces being now in sight, it was remitted to the following sub-committee to deal with the whole question of the staffing of the County Clerk's Office, the Clerk being meantime authorised to make application for the early release of those members of his staff who would fall under the category of 'pivotal' men:—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart.

William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum."

The Clerk stated at the outset that he was glad to be able to report that while some members of his staff had been wounded, none from the County Offices had fallen, though he regretted to say that the Glasgow Office had lost a lad (Robert Mackenzie), who had been presumed killed in action early in the war. Report by Clerk.

The Clerk thereafter reported generally on his proposals with the view to reinstatement of the returning men, and as relative to the matter of their salaries, he submitted the following excerpt from the minutes of the Sub-Committee on Salaries, of date 18th July, 1917:—

> " . . . With regard to the members of the staff on service, while it was not proposed to grant any present increase of salary, or that the bonus should be given to them, it should be made clear and emphasised that, on the return of members from service, full consideration would be given to their position, and due regard had to the promotion which they might reasonably had expected had they not been on service."

List of office staff.

There was thereafter handed to each member of the sub-committee a copy of a list of the full office staff, particulars being given in each case as to age, length of service, and previous increments.

Sub-committee's recommendations.

The sub-committee, having been advised by the Clerk as to the duties and responsibilities of each member of the staff, made recommendations, as per statement signed by the chairman as relative hereto, grading scales being fixed in all cases where it was considered that the circumstances were such as to render this course expedient. The recommendations include immediate increases to twenty-seven members of the staff, and represent an increase of £1,225, equal to an average increase of 30 per cent. over the pre-war salaries. All bonuses granted to above members not on service are withdrawn, and increases to men on service are to take effect on their return to duty.

Authority to Clerk to deal with salaries up to £104.

It was agreed that the Clerk's standing authority to deal with salaries up to £80 at his own hand should be extended to cover salaries up to £104.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON ADVANCES UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACT, 1899.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 5th February, 1919, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899. — 5th February, 1919.

Present—

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. — ROBERT LAMBIE.
GEORGE FRASER. — A. D. MACK.
W. B. THOMSON.

Mr. Fraser, Chairman of the Sub-Committee presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the Committee, held on 16th September, 1914, which had already been submitted to the County Council and approved, were laid before the meeting. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reminded the Sub-Committee that immediately prior to the war they had been dealing with the question of granting advances to members of the public and to public Utility Societies, and that he had, on the Sub-Committee's instructions at that time, prepared a draft memorandum in a form which might be suitable for issue to members of the public. A print of the draft memorandum was laid upon the table. — Advances under Act to members of public and public Utility Societies.

The Sub-Committee, while realising that circumstances had altered on account of the war, resolved that it was expedient to again take up matters where they had left off, and in the meantime instructed the Clerk to have his memorandum revised and brought up to date.

SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON ADVANCES UNDER THE SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACT, 1899.

26th February, 1919.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to Advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899.

Present—

George Fraser.	A. D. Mack.
Robert Lambie.	W. B. Thomson.

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 5th February, 1919, which had already been submitted to the County Council and approved, were laid before the meeting.

Memorandum by Clerk.

As instructed at the last meeting of the committee, the Clerk had brought his draft Memorandum up to date, and a copy had been sent to each member of the sub-committee.

Action to be taken.

The draft Memorandum (Appendix) having been considered and amended in one or two particulars, in accordance with suggestions by members of the sub-committee, was finally approved and ordered to be submitted to the County Council. It was also agreed to recommend to the County Council that the Government be pressed to modify the terms of the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899, in the directions indicated in the Memorandum, and otherwise to take such steps as may be necessary for adapting the Act to post-war circumstances, in order that its provisions may be capable of being put into operation under the conditions now existing; and, further, that the members of the sub-committee be appointed a deputation to wait upon the Secretary for Scotland in connection with the matter.

Letter from Mr. Gilbert Lang.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter which he had received from Mr. Gilbert Lang, solicitor, Glasgow, who had previously been in negotiation with the sub-committee regarding the possibility of establishing a Public Utility Society, to facilitate the erection of houses under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899. In the event of the sub-committee being prepared to resume consideration of the scheme, Mr. Lang stated that he was prepared to take up the work immediately and carry it to a successful conclusion. It was agreed that the Clerk should arrange a meeting with Mr. Lang.

APPENDIX.

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THE SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACT, 1899,

AND

HOW THE COUNTY COUNCIL MAY ASSIST PERSONS TO BECOME OWNERS OF THEIR HOUSES.

The desire to own one's house is a very common one amongst the well-doing members of the working classes.

It is also a desire deserving of every encouragement, as nothing creates a greater sense of independence, or is more conducive to social well-being than that the occupier should also be owner of his home.

Although the desire to own one's house is common, it is yet a fact that comparatively few working-men have been able to gratify their ambition. In certain localities, and amongst particular classes of artizans, there may be found instances of working-men owners; but, taking the working classes as a whole, the number who actually attain to ownership of their houses is extremely limited.

There are no doubt various reasons for this state of affairs. The industry in which the workman may be engaged may be such that settled employment in one district is not reasonably guaranteed, and a man naturally hesitates to purchase a house which the exigencies of his employment may cause him to leave in a short time. Again, a man may not care to live always in the same place, and may prefer the freedom to shift about which he possesses as a tenant.

The great obstacle to a workman becoming the owner of his house is, however, undoubtedly, lack of capital. The amount which can be borrowed on the security of heritable property does not, in practice, exceed two-thirds, so that a purchaser, under ordinary circumstances, must be prepared to put down one-third of the cost. There is always a certain unwillingness to lend on the security of an individual dwelling-house, where, if the house stood unoccupied for any period at all, the interest would fall in arrears. The consequence is that the working-man borrower sometimes experiences difficulty in finding a lender, and usually has to pay a fairly high rate of interest. In addition, he has no guarantee that the loan may not be called up at any time, causing him inconvenience and expense. Legal costs are also a considerable item in the case of the purchase of a small dwelling-house.

Different means have been resorted to to obviate the difficulty of providing capital, the principal of these being the formation of building societies, the members of which raise a common fund by small periodical contributions. Many of these societies have proved highly successful, but they are all open to certain draw backs. In the first place, they call for co-operation by a number of individuals; in the second place some time may elapse before all the members are able to obtain their houses; and, in the third place, there still remain the difficulties of heavy legal expenses and high rates of interest on loans.

It does not seem to be generally known by the working classes that under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, 1899, provision is made whereby the working-man may become the owner of his house on comparatively easy terms, and with the minimum of inconvenience and expense. It is with the object of drawing attention to the provisions of this Act, and explaining how advantage may be taken of these that this Memorandum is issued.

How to obtain Advances.

Assuming that a person desires to purchase a house for himself, he may, on application to the County Council, obtain an advance not exceeding four-

fifths of the market value of the house, but the total sum advanced must not exceed £300. The remaining one-fifth requires to be found by the purchaser. No condition is made as to the value of the house, except that it must not exceed £400. Apparently Parliament must have thought that if a man was able to live in a house of greater value than £400 he did not require any assistance to purchase it. Looking to the great increase in building costs due to the war, it may be necessary that Parliament should be asked to raise the limit of value. In that event the limit might be fixed at about £600 to enable a house of reasonable size and quality to be acquired. The limit of £300 on loans should also be removed, and the County Council empowered to lend four-fifths of the value of the house.

On making application the intending purchaser must satisfy the County Council that he resides, or intends to reside, in the house; that a good title exists, or will be given; and that the house is in good sanitary condition and repair. On being satisfied on these points the County Council will provide four-fifths of the price, and legal expenses, taking from the purchaser a bond and disposition in security over the house for that amount.

Any legal expenses incurred are included in the loan, so that the purchaser does not require to find the money for these, and is only bound to find the net one-fifth of the purchase price and expenses. In a County such as Lanarkshire, where the County Clerk also acts as solicitor to the County Council, the legal expenses will practically be confined to necessary outlays—such as stamp duty, fees for registering the deeds in the Property Register in Edinburgh, &c.

The Act of Parliament contemplates that the house to be bought should be in existence, but where the purchaser intends to build a house, there would in normal times be no difficulty in arranging for this being done, and for advances being made to the tradesmen as the erection of the house proceeded. It has, however, to be admitted that, so long as building costs remain at their present high level—which is estimated by competent authorities at 180 per cent. in addition to pre-war prices—the prospect of any private person being able to build a house for his own occupancy is remote, unless such person is prepared to build as a luxury regardless of financial considerations, or unless the Government are prepared to grant something in the nature of subsidies to persons desiring to become owners of small dwellings.

Repayment of Advances.

Any sums lent must be repaid by the purchaser within 30 years, but there is nothing to hinder him paying up his loan within any shorter period which he may find convenient.

He may either repay the loan by equal instalments, with interest on the balance due from time to time; or, if he prefers, he may adopt what is known as payment on the annuity principle—*i.e.*, he may pay off the loan by equal sums of principal and interest combined. The payments may be made at any periods, weekly, monthly, but not exceeding half-yearly, as may be found suitable.

If he adopts the first system of payment, the borrower will have a larger sum to pay during the earlier years; but as the loan is paid off, and the charge for interest is reduced, the amount payable will be greatly lessened. If he adopts the annuity principle, he will have a smaller sum to pay at the beginning; but the amount of the instalments will remain the same until the loan is paid off.

Should the borrower at any time wish to pay the whole balance due, he can do so. So long as the interest is regularly paid, and the house is kept in order, the loan will not be disturbed.

Rate of Interest.

The rate of interest on loans is not to exceed ½ per cent. above the rate at which the County Council can borrow at the time from the Public Works Loan Board. For practical purposes this may, in view of the value of money likely to prevail for some time, be taken to mean a rate of interest of 5 per cent. The

altered conditions due to the war have rendered borrowing at a lower rate of interest than 5 per cent. improbable. The extreme urgency of the Housing Problem has, however, led the Government to undertake to subsidise Local Authorities who may build houses. Where a person has purchased a house that is already erected, there may not be the same claim for consideration as in the case of a person building a house; but there is, it is thought, reason on equitable grounds for suggesting that the Government might provide money, which Local Authorities could lend at a reduced rate to purchasers of houses under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act. Where a man is willing to build, his claim for the same consideration as Local Authorities is stronger; but there are obvious difficulties in the way of subsidising individuals, and, probably, the most that could in any case be done would be to lend money at cheap rates. Looking, however, to building costs, unless the rate of interest were almost nominal the borrower could not build his house to occupy at an annual outlay to himself approximating the rent at which it is understood Local Authorities contemplate letting houses erected by them.

Use of the House.

As mentioned, the owner must keep the house in good repair. He must also keep it insured against fire, and he is prohibited from using it for the sale of intoxicating liquors, or in such a way as to be a nuisance to neighbours.

The County Council have power to send an Inspector to see that these conditions are being kept. As, however, it will be as much the interest of the owner as of the County Council to keep up the house, no one need fear that their privacy will be unnecessarily intruded upon by the Inspector.

A further condition is that the purchaser is to reside in the house. This at first sight might appear a serious drawback, but the condition is not so stringent as it would seem to be. In the first place, assuming that he no longer desires to reside in the house, the owner may, with permission of the County Council, which permission must not be unreasonably withheld, transfer his interest in the house to some other person. In other words, he may sell his house in the open market. The purchaser will have the option of complying with the same conditions as the seller was bound to fulfil; or, if he wishes to be free of all restrictions, he may pay up the balance due to the County Council, when he becomes absolute owner.

Again, if the purchaser is to be absent from the house in the performance of any duty, or arising out of his employment, he may, with the consent of the County Council, let the house furnished for any period not exceeding 4 months in any one year.

In the event of the owner dying, the condition as to residence is suspended for 12 months from the date of death, to enable the deceased's relatives to make arrangements for the transference of the house.

In the event of the proprietor at any time finding himself unable to carry out his bargain with the County Council, or of his dying and his representatives being unable to arrange for a transfer of the house, the owner or his relatives need not incur any loss, as the County Council, in these circumstances, will either take possession of the house or sell it.

If the house is sold, the County Council must hand over to the owner or his heirs any balance of the price after paying off the balance of the loan on the house and the cost of the sale. If the County Council takes over the house, they must similarly account for its value, and should any dispute arise as to the value at which the house is to be taken over, this is settled by the Sheriff.

It will thus be seen that the Act provides a very attractive and easy way for working-men becoming owners of their own houses. Its advantages may be summarised as follows:—

1st. The amount of capital which a purchaser requires to provide is only one-fifth of the actual cost of the house.

2nd. Legal costs are reduced to a minimum, and even then, to the extent of four-fifths, they are not to be paid at the outset, but are included in the loan.

3rd. So long as the very simple conditions prescribed by the Act are complied with, the purchaser has absolute security that his loan will not be disturbed.

4th. The terms of repayment of principal and interest are so arranged as to enable the loan to be repaid in the most convenient manner.

5th. The rate of interest being fixed at the commencement of the loan, the borrower knows exactly what he has to pay, and is not subject to the fluctuations of the money market, the County Council taking the risk of this.

6th. Should the owner at any time find it inconvenient to continue to live in the house, he can always realise the value of his interest in it.

It is impossible, owing to the varying circumstances of the locality where the house may be situated and other considerations, to show how the scheme of the Act would work in every case, but examples of typical cases will be furnished by the County Clerk on application

The scheme of the Act presupposes that the County Council will deal with individuals, but this does not prevent intending purchasers from acting together for the purpose of facilitating the acquisition of their own homes. Thus, several friends requiring houses of similar size might agree to have these built from a common plan by the same contractors, or for acquiring an area of ground and sub-dividing it among themselves. They might even form a Public Utility Society, which is a society the profits from whose workings must not exceed 5 per cent., and through it arrange for the provision of the one-fifth of the price which each purchaser must put down. As a matter of fact, a scheme of that nature is already under contemplation in one area of the County.

Applications from persons desirous of taking advantage of the provisions of the Act should be addressed to the County Clerk, County Offices, Hamilton, who will also be glad to give any further explanations and information to intending applicants.

T. M.

HAMILTON,
September, 1914. [*Revised.—February, 1919.*]

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 8th January, 1919.

Present—

J. A. Beattie.	William Love.
Walter C. B. Christie.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	James C. Pollok.
Gavin Hamilton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Lambie.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.	William Templeton.
	John Train.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice of meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 23rd October, 1918, which had been printed, and already approved of by the County Council, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that the Education (Scotland) Bill had received the Royal Assent on 21st November, 1918. It had appeared to him that it would not be competent to raise any amendment on the rating clause in the House of Lords, but he had thought it well to take the advice of the Council's Parliamentary Agents on the matter, and he submitted a letter from Messrs. Grahames & Company, of date 29th October, 1918, confirming the opinion which he had formed. No action had, therefore, been taken on behalf of the County Council while the Bill was passing through the House of Lords. — Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk reported that the Secretary for Scotland had made a draft Order determining the Electoral Divisions of the Education Authority of the County to be the seven Parliamentary Constituencies, and he stated that any objections thereto would require to be lodged by the 28th January. The Committee agreed that the matter was one on which no action need be taken by the County Council. — Educational Electoral Divisions.

Lanarkshire Tramways. — Proposed bye-law approved.

As instructed at last meeting, the Clerk had intimated to the Board of Trade the County Council's objection to the bye-law regarding the collection of fares proposed to be adopted by the Lanarkshire Tramways Company. In reply to his letter, the Clerk had received a letter from the Board of Trade, of date 30th October, 1918, stating that the Board of Trade had allowed the bye-law. Objections similar to those raised by the County Council had also been made by the Middle Ward District Committee, but the Board of Trade had not been prepared to disallow the bye-law, as they had allowed it in other cases without, so far as they were aware, dissatisfaction having arisen on the part of the travelling public.

Returning Burgh for Lanarkshire Parliamentary Constituencies.

The Clerk had also, as instructed at last meeting, written to the Under-Secretary for Scotland, representing in favour of Hamilton being made the Returning Burgh for the Hamilton and Motherwell Parliamentary Divisions. The Under-Secretary for Scotland had, in answer to that representation, intimated, on 5th November, 1918, that the Secretary for Scotland had carefully considered the matter in consultation with the Sheriff of Lanarkshire, and was satisfied that, in the present abnormal circumstances, the past practice, under which Glasgow was the place of election for the County Divisions, should be adhered to. The Secretary for Scotland, however, was open to reconsider his decision when circumstances changed.

Holytown and Mossend Car Service.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. Robert Anderson, Clerk to the Landward Committee of Bothwell Parish Council, of date 13th ultimo, complaining of the irregular running of the car between Mossend Cross and Holytown Terminus. The Clerk to the Landward Committee had already communicated with the Tramways Manager, but his committee were not satisfied with the Manager's explanation of the failure of the service, and desired the County Council to take the matter up, and endeavour to get some guarantee that the car would be run regularly in future. Since receiving the letter from Mr. Robert Anderson, the Clerk had himself been in communication with the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, and had been informed that the cause of the car service being unsatisfactory was primarily shortage of drivers, which had rendered it necessary for the Company to withdraw cars from various parts of the system temporarily where this would cause least inconvenience to the travelling public. This difficulty, however, was now being overcome with the release of men from the Army, and the Holytown and Mossend car had for some days been running regularly again. In view of these circumstances, the committee considered it unnecessary to take any action in the matter.

Glasgow Corporation Draft Provisional Order, 1919.

The Clerk drew the attention of the committee to the fact that Glasgow Corporation was this session promoting a Provisional Order, under one of the clauses of which it was proposed to take powers to increase the assessment for sewage purification within the Glasgow Main Drainage Area from 7d. to 8d. per £. This proposal would affect the portions of the County included within the Glasgow Main Drainage Area. The Town-Clerk of Glasgow had been asked for an explanation of the proposal, and in reply h d written a letter to the Clerk, of date 27th December, 1918, from which it appeared that the increase of assessment was necessary to meet the increased expenditure. Provided satisfactory reasons were given for the increased expenditure, it did not appear to the Clerk that the County Council could, in equity, resist the proposal. The Clerk, however, reminded the committee that, when the Corporation had obtained their Sewage Act of 1898, the Town Council of Rutherglen and the County Council had made an agreement with the Corporation to lay an intercepting sewer to convey the sewage from the Burgh of

Rutherglen and the portion of the County area adjoining into the Glasgow sewers, and to levy the same rate as within the city, and pay over the proceeds of such rate to the Corporation under deduction of the cost of collection and of the loan charges applicable to the capital expenditure on the sewer, which, however, were not to exceed £495 per annum, subsequently raised in 1903 to £1,000 per annum. Owing to the higher rate of interest now payable on loans, the £1,000 per annum was proving insufficient to meet the loan charges, and it seemed to the Clerk that if the County Council were to assent to the proposed increase of the sewage assessment to 8d., they ought, at the same time, to have the limit of £1,000 abolished, or such other provision made as would enable the Town Council and County Council to recover the full amount of the loan charges. The committee approved of the Clerk's views, and remitted to him to approach the Corporation of Glasgow on the subject, in order that there might be incorporated in their Provisional Order a clause giving the County Council the relief desired. The Clerk was authorised to lodge a Petition against the Order should that be necessary.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 5th February, 1919.

Present—

John Adam.	Adam D. Mack.
George Fraser.	Andrew Murdoch.
Gavin Hamilton.	James C. Pollok.
Robert Lambie.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	William Sym.

William Templeton.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 8th January, 1919, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed at last meeting, he had, along with the Town-Clerk and Town Chamberlain of Rutherglen, interviewed the Glasgow City Treasurer and a representative of the Town-Clerk's Department, when the position of matters in connection with the Rutherglen sewers had been discussed, and the city officials appeared to look favourably on the proposal that the limit of £1,000 specified in the Act of 1903 should be abolished, in which event it was suggested that the Corporation might take over the capital indebtedness in respect of the sewers and borrow for it themselves. The Town Council of Rutherglen and the County Council would then pay over to the Corporation the full amount of the assessments collected by them under deduction only of the cost of collection. It appeared, however, that the abolition of the limit of £1,000 did not commend itself to the committee of the Corporation in charge of the Order, and, to presesrve the County Council's position, the Clerk had lodged a petition against the Order Glasgow Corporation (Draft Provisional) Order, 1918.

in name of the County Council and Lower Ward District Committee. The committee approved, and remitted to the Clerk to take any further steps which might be necessary in the County Council's interest.

Busby and District Gas Company, Limited.—Application to Board of Trade.

The Clerk reported that there had been served upon him on 24th ultimo, a notice by the Busby and District Gas Company, Limited, of their intention to apply to the Board of Trade under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, for a modification of the terms of the private Act under which the Company was constituted, to permit the Company to increase the price of gas to such an extent as would enable the Company to earn a dividend of £3 15s. per cent. per annum. The Clerk had gone into the Company's accounts and had ascertained that the pre-war dividend of the Company was only 4 per cent., and that, under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, no modification could be authorised which would enable the Company to earn a dividend larger than three-fourths of the pre-war dividend. He had accordingly, pending further instructions from the County Council, lodged a representation to the Board of Trade against the modification proposed by the Company as incompetent, and had further pointed out that, looking to the financial position of the Company prior to the war, it was doubtful if even a modification which would enable a dividend of 3 per cent. to be earned could be justified. A copy of the representation as lodged was laid before the meeting. The committee approved of the action of the Clerk.

Lanarkshire Tramways. — Complaint *re* danger at Thistle Bank Terrace, Mossend.

There was read to the meeting a letter from the Manager of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, of date 3rd current, enclosing a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade to the Tramways Company, of date 29th ultimo, transmitting to the Company a copy of a letter received by the Board from Bellshill, Mossend, and District Trades Council, of date 20th ultimo, regarding an alleged danger to the public at Thistle Bank Terrace, Clydesdale Street, Mossend. It was stated by the Trades Council that the place was most dangerous on account of the nearness of the car rail to the entrance to the buildings, the existence of a street called Christie Street which joined Clydesdale Street near the spot, and the removal of a stopping-place. It was also alleged that a number of accidents had taken place both to children and adults. In his letter, the Manager of the Tramways Company reminded the Clerk that, when the tramways were in course of construction, an attempt had been made to enter into negotiations with the proprietor of the property referred to, with the object of making a road improvement at the place, but without success. The Manager also explained that Christie Street was a cul-de-sac with little traffic; that the stopping-places had, in common with other stopping-places on the tramway system, been abolished to meet the Coal Controller's request for fuel economy; and that the only accident known to him to have occurred was that of a man found lying on the street, who was supposed to have been knocked down by a tramcar or motor, the balance of probability being that a motor had caused the accident. The Clerk was instructed to communicate the Tramway Manager's explanations to the Board of Trade, and also to point out that no change had taken place in the circumstances since that part of the tramways had been passed by the Board's Inspector.

Alleged dangers to Postmaster's wires on Uddingston to Holytown and Hamilton to Larkhall routes.

The Clerk also submitted a letter from the Manager of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, of date 3rd current, enclosing a copy of a correspondence which had taken place between him and the Sectional Engineer of the Post Office regarding alleged dangers to the Postmaster's wires on the Uddingston

and Holytown route between Greenend, Bellshill, and Quarry Brae, Fallside, owing to the proximity of the tramway trolley-poles, and on the Larkhall route, between Ferniegair and High Merryton, owing to the wires for lighting being carried upon the trolley-poles, and to the proximity of the poles to the Postmaster's wires. It was explained that no change had occurred in the circumstances since the trolley-poles and wires were originally erected, and that no objection had been taken by the Post Office at that time. It was agreed to remit to a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman and Messrs. Lambie, Shanks, and Sullivan, with Mr. Beattie, as representing Larkhall District, and Mr. John Campbell, as representing Bellshill District, added for the purpose, to meet with the Tramway Manager and Post Office Engineer, in order to go into the whole matter and endeavour to arrive at an amicable arrangement.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 26th February, 1919.

Present—

John Adam.	J. C. Pollok.
John A. Beattie	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
George Fraser.	
Gavin Hamilton.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	John Train.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 5th February, 1919, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, on 6th instant, the County Council's Parliamentary Agents had intimated to him that the Chairmen of the Houses of Parliament intended to meet on 12th instant, to decide which of the Scottish Orders should proceed as such and which as Private Bills, and that any representations which parties might desire to make on the subject required to be lodged on 10th instant. After consulting with the Chairman of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, the Clerk had informed the Parliamentary Agents that the County Council did not desire to make any representation. The committee approved. Glasgow Corporation Order, 1919.

The Clerk submitted the following letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow:—

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 17th February, 1919.

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"Glasgow Corporation Order, 1919.—Sewage Assessment.

"With reference to the petitions of the County Council of the County of Lanark and the Town Council of Rutherglen against this Order, I am to inform you that my committee have now had the same under consideration and are prepared, on condition that they are withdrawn, to recommend the Corporation to waive any claim in respect of the sum of £338 5s. 2d. over-deducted from the assessments collected by them during the last three years, and to amend the provisions of the Glasgow Sewage Acts, so as to authorise them to deduct each year, from the assessment collected by them, all payments made by them in respect of interest and sinking fund on the cost of construction of the sewers. If the Council approve, I shall be glad to adjust a clause to give effect to this.

"Further, the committee are prepared to recommend the Corporation to take over the outstanding debt, on condition that the whole of the assessment is paid over to them, under deduction only of the cost of collection. This, however, is a matter which might require to be dealt with in a subsequent Order.

"Please let me hear from you.

"Yours truly,

"J. LINDSAY."

He also submitted a letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Rutherglen, dated 18th instant, intimating that he had received a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, in terms similar to the letter received by the County Clerk and that it seemed to him that the proposals of Glasgow Corporation were satisfactory. The committee agreed to recommend to the County Council that, subject to the adjustment of a clause carrying out the arrangement set forth in the letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, the County Council's petition should be withdrawn.

Control of roads.

There was read to the meeting a letter from the Royal Scottish Automobile Club drawing attention to the report which had obtained general currency—that it was the intention of the Government to supersede the existing Road Board, and to combine it with the Ministry of Transport or with some other department. The Club regarded the proposal with alarm, and considered that, if it came into effect, it would not be calculated to secure the advances in the reconstruction of roads and bridges, and any improvements in these which road-users had hoped would follow the conclusion of peace. The Club accordingly asked that the County Council should co-operate with them in opposing the change, and, in particular, that they should address the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the local Members of Parliament on the subject. After considering the letter from the Royal Scottish Automobile Club, and having heard the views of members, the committee unanimously agreed to recommend to the County Council that the proposal to supersede the Road Board be opposed, and that the Clerk be instructed to forward

representations on the subject to the appropriate Government Departments and to the local Members of Parliament. The committee also unanimously agreed to recommend that a deputation, consisting of Mr. Gavin Hamilton, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Adam, representing the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards respectively, with the Convener of the County, be appointed to wait upon the Secretary for Scotland and the local Members of Parliament, and lay before them the views of the County Council.

Housing schemes. — Burghs of Motherwell and Wishaw.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following letter from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell :—

"Town Hall
"Motherwell, 6th February, 1919.

"Sir Thomas Munro.
"County Clerk.
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"Housing.

"I send you copy of report by my Parliamentary Bills Committee, which was adopted at meeting of the Town Council held on 4th instant, with reference to the Town Council carrying out a housing scheme outwith the existing burgh boundaries. I shall be glad to hear that your committee are willing to meet my committee with the view to co-operation on this matter. I have written the Middle Ward District Clerk in similar terms.

"Yours faithfully,

"JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*

"BURGH OF MOTHERWELL.

"REPORT BY PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

"21st January, 1919.

"In view of the probability of houses being built in the near future outwith the burgh in connection with the housing schemes presently under consideration for building in various parts of the town, the committee considered whether any legal procedure for the extension of the burgh boundaries should be taken before such houses are built, and agreed to recommend that the Council approach the County Council with the view to their co-operation on the lines suggested by the Middle Ward District Clerk in his memorandum as to co-operation among Local Authorities, dated February, 1918, of which the following is an extract :—

'I suppose it would be considered rank heresy to suggest that a Local Authority should erect or contribute to the erection of houses outside its own area. But is the proposition in any respect heretical or indefensible? Surely, instead of erecting new houses for the working classes in congested areas, it would be preferable to go outside the populous area and build on a fresh area removed from industry, and offering all the possibilities attaching to a healthy residential suburb or colony. Why should not adjoining Local Authorities which require to erect houses for the working classes—and what Local Authority will not require to do so?—conjoin in setting up model residential colonies on desirable sites, selected without regard to the limitations of their boundaries? Probably this is an arrangement which is not sanctioned by the present law, but new Public Health and

Housing Powers are almost of a certainty to be granted soon to Local Authorities, and the reasonableness of such a proposition would surely appeal. It might be possible, under existing Town Planning Law, to make provision to the effect that a Local Authority might contribute to the erection of houses outside its area which are required essentially for workers within its area.'

"It is hardly to be expected that the Town Council will erect houses outwith the Burgh providing them with water, drainage, streets, lighting, scavenging, and the other usual and necessary facilities, while the whole rates in respect of the valuation of these houses will go to the County Authorities. Before such houses are built it appears to the committee that there should be an agreement with the County for their consent and co-operation in an application to the Sheriff for the extension of the Burgh boundaries to include the area in which these houses are to be built; or, failing this, an adjustment between the County and Burgh as to adequate remuneration by the County to the Burgh for the facilities provided by the Burgh for such houses.

"Report by

"JOHN K. MURRAY,
"*Convener.*"

He also submitted the following letter from the Town-Clerk of Wishaw:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Wishaw, 7th February, 1919.

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"My Town Council have instructed me to ask the County Council of Lanark and the Middle Ward District Committee, if they will grant their consent to, or undertake not to oppose, the incorporation within the boundaries of the Burgh of Wishaw, for all purposes, of the area of ground, approximately 48 acres in extent, shown upon the enclosed plan within a red line. The owner of the ground, except a small part next Park Street, is Mr. Houldsworth, of Coltness, from whom the Town Council have received an offer to feu it for the purposes of their housing scheme.

"For the information of the County Council, I may say that the ground referred to is recognised by the Local Government Board as the most suitable in or near the Burgh for the comprehensive building scheme which, with the approval of the Board, the Town Council have in view. It is, in the opinion of the Town Council, the least likely of all the areas examined to be affected by the working of coal, with consequent damage to buildings, and is certainly the best from a purely Public Health point of view. It is entirely unbuilt upon.

"I shall be glad to hear from you.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"A. G. STEWART,
"*Town-Clerk.*

"*P.S.*—A similar communication has been sent to Mr. Whyte."

In connection with the letter from the Town-Clerk of Wishaw, the Clerk stated that he had been endeavouring to obtain an estimate of the rental of the land proposed to be included within the Burgh. He had not yet been able to secure accurate figures, but he was informed that the whole rental would probably not exceed £100, and that there were no buildings at present on the land.

Conference with Burgh representatives to be arranged.

The committee, having considered these communications, were of opinion that it might expedite the disposal of both matters if meetings were to take place between representatives of the Town Councils of Motherwell and Wishaw and a Joint-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee and representatives of the District Committee of the Middle Ward District, and they instructed the Clerk to invite the Town Councils of Motherwell and Wishaw to send representatives to a meeting to be held in the County Buildings, Glasgow, on Monday, 10th proximo, at 2.30 p.m., and to arrange for representatives of the District Committee being present.

Ministry of Health Bill.

The Clerk reminded the committee that a Bill to constitute a Ministry of Public Health had been introduced in the House of Commons towards the end of last session, but that no progress had been made in the matter when Parliament was dissolved. A new Bill, in practically the same terms, had been introduced in the House of Commons this session. It was expected that the second reading of the Bill would have been taken on Monday last, and in anticipation of this the Clerk had wired to the Members of Parliament for the County, asking them to support the County Council's views, as embodied in a printed statement which had been furnished to them on behalf of the Association of County Councils, the Convention of Royal Burghs, the Association of District Committees, and the City of Glasgow. Replies had already been received from Colonel Buchanan and Captain Elliot, promising to give the matter their attention. From the newspapers it now appeared that a separate Bill was to be introduced for Scotland, which might materially alter the position of affairs. It was agreed to continue the matter in the hands of the sub-committee which had been dealing with it.

Proceedings of Sub-Committee on alleged danger to Postmaster's Wires.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the sub-committee appointed by the Parliamentary Bills, at their last meeting, in connection with the alleged danger to the Postmaster's wires on the Uddingston and Bellshill and Hamilton and Larkhall routes, held earlier to-day (the minute of which is appended hereto), and the committee approved thereof. In this connection the committee were reminded that the County Council, at their meeting on 11th December, 1918, had made a remit in the following terms:—

Lanark County Tramways.

> "Mr. John Campbell, having called attention to the inadequacy of the service of tramway cars in the Bellshill District, the meeting agreed to remit the matter to the Parliamentary Bills Committee."

The Clerk explained that he had intended to take advantage of this meeting of the sub-committee, at which Mr. Campbell and a representative of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company were present, to have this matter raised, as information might then have been elicited which would have been of service to the committee in considering the remit. Unfortunately the matter had not been reached before Mr. Campbell had left the meeting, but he proposed to raise it at next meeting of the sub-committee. The committee approved, and meantime continued consideration of the remit.

Busby and District Gas Company.

With reference to the last meeting of the committee, the Clerk submitted a letter which he had received from Messrs. Carruthers, Gemmill, & M'Killop,

solicitors, Glasgow, agents for the Busby and District Gas Company, forwarding observations on behalf of their clients on the representations of the County Council. In these observations the applicants had reduced their claim to one which would enable them to pay a dividend on their ordinary capital of £3 per cent. In the information submitted to the Board of Trade, the Gas Company had embodied an estimate showing that a charge of 10s. per 1,000 cubic feet for gas would enable them to earn a dividend of £3 15s. per cent. The committee agreed that, subject to the Company limiting their demand to such modification as would enable them to earn a dividend not exceeding £3 per cent., and also undertaking to charge no higher price for gas than 10s. per 1,000 cubic feet, the representations lodged with the Board of Trade against the Company's application might be withdrawn, and instructed the Clerk to intimate this to the Company's agents.

Unsuitable tramway stages on Larkhall route.

Mr. Lambie drew the attention of the committee to the inconvenience to which the public were being subjected when using tramcars on the Larkhall route, by the unsuitable arrangement of fare stages which had been adopted by the Tramway Company. Mr. Beattie concurred in Mr. Lambie's complaint. It was agreed that Mr. Lambie and Mr. Beattie should furnish the Clerk with details of the stages considered as unsuitable, in order that he might take up the matter with the Tramways Company.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON TRAMWAYS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of a Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee appointed to meet with Representatives of the Tramways Company and Post Office in connection with alleged Danger to Postmaster's Wires. 26th February, 1919.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. GEORGE FRASER.
JOHN CAMPBELL. ROBERT LAMBIE.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN, M.B.E.

Present also—

W. E. WHYTE, O.B.E., Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.
ROBERT SPITTAL, Road Surveyor.

Mr. Fraser was appointed chairman of the sub-committee. Chairman.

The sub-committee took up the remit from the Parliamentary Bills Committee, which was in the following terms:— Alleged dangers to Postmaster's wires on Uddingston and Larkhall routes.

"The Clerk also submitted a letter from the Manager of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, of date 3rd current, enclosing a copy of a correspondence which had taken place between him and Section Engineer of the Post Office regarding the alleged dangers to the Postmaster's wires on the Uddingston and Holytown route, between Greenend, Bellshill, and Quarry Brae, Fallside, owing to the proximity of the tramway trolley-poles; and on the Larkhall route, between Ferniegair and High Merrytown, owing to the wires for lighting being carried upon the trolley-poles, and to the proximity of the poles to the Postmaster's wires. It was explained that no change had occurred in the circumstances since the trolley-poles and wires were originally erected, and that no objection had been taken by the Post Office at that time. It was agreed to remit to a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman and Messrs. Lambie, Shanks, and Sullivan, with Mr. Beattie (as representing Larkhall District) and Mr. John Campbell (as representing Bellshill District) added for the purpose, to meet with the Tramway Manager and Post Office Engineer, in order to go into the whole matter and endeavour to arrive at an amicable arrangement."

The Clerk stated that he had invited representatives of the Post Office and the Lanarkshire Tramway Company to this meeting, and Mr. A. M'Intosh, Section Engineer, and Mr. R. Waring, his assistant (as representing the Post

Office), and Mr. E. H. Glennie, Engineer (as representing the Tramway Company), entered the meeting. It was explained by Mr. M'Intosh that the ground of complaint by his department was that, owing to the proximity of the trolley-poles to the telephone wires on the Uddingston route, between Greenend, Bellshill, and Quarry Brae, Fallside, telephone communication was periodically interrupted, although no actual danger was being caused to the public. On the Larkhall route, in addition to the interference with the telephone wires due to want of sufficient clearance between the Postmaster's wires and the trolley-poles, there was also a risk of danger to the public. To remove the cause of complaint, it would be necessary to shift the Postmaster's wires. No estimate of the cost of doing this was available in the case of the Uddingston-Hamilton route, but it was estimated that the cost of the alterations on the Larkhall route would be about £80.

A question having arisen as to the legal right of the Postmaster to call upon the County Council to bear the cost of the alterations, in view of the fact that due notice had been given to the Postmaster of the inspection by the Board of Trade of the Uddingston-Hamilton route, and that no objection had been then taken by the Postmaster to the proximity of the poles to his telephone wires, and also to the fact that the lighting wires had been placed on the poles on the Larkhall route under statutory sanction, Mr. M'Intosh undertook to furnish the Clerk with legal evidence that the Postmaster was still within his rights in calling upon the County Council to pay the costs of the alterations suggested. In the meantime it was arranged that Mr. Glennie should, along with Mr. M'Intosh, consider whether, by some alteration of the position of the wires on the trolley-poles on the Larkhall route, the necessity for the extensive alterations referred to by Mr. M'Intosh might not be avoided in whole or in part.

Proposed improvement at Thistle Bank Terrace.

The Clerk reported that, at a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, there had also been under consideration a communication from the Bellshill, Mossend, and District Trades Council to the Board of Trade, regarding an alleged danger to the public at Thistle Bank Terrace, Clydesdale Street, Mossend, and that it had been suggested that this matter might be referred to the sub-committee when representatives of the Tramway Company were present. He had also been informed that a sub-committee of the Middle Ward District Committee had been considering the question of a suggested improvement on the highway at Thistle Bank Terrace, Mossend. In these circumstances he had thought it well to inform the District Clerk of this meeting in order that representatives of the District Committee might have an opportunity of attending, and the District Clerk and Mr. Spittal, Road Surveyor, were now present.

The Clerk explained that, when the tramway lines were being laid along Clydesdale Street about five years ago, an attempt had been made to enter into negotiations with the proprietor of Thistle Bank Terrace for a road improvement opposite his property, but without success.

The sub-committee having discussed the matter, and having had a plan submitted to them showing a proposed improvement opposite not only Thistle Bank Terrace, but the properties on the opposite side of Christie Street, agreed that it was desirable to renew the attempt to carry out the improvement opposite Thistle Bank Terrace, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the proprietor of the property, and ascertain if he was now willing to entertain a proposal for acquiring a strip of his ground.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 8th January, 1919.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE. WILLIAM DAVIE.
JAMES CAMERON. A. D. MACK.
DAVID THOMSON.

Mr. Thomson was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

It was, on the motion of Mr. Thomson, unanimously agreed to record in the minutes the committee's gratification on the election of Colonel Buchanan—the standing Chairman of the Committee—as a Member of Parliament for the Coatbridge Division of the County. Election of Colonel Buchanan as Member of Parliament.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd October, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted the following applications for exemption under the War Charities Act, viz.:— War Charities Act.—Applications for exemption.

Tarbrax and District—Gifts to soldiers.
Baillieston Parish Church Christmas Parcel Fund for Soldiers and Sailors.
Sailors and Soldiers Local Fund, New Stevenston.
Larkhall Branch of Scottish Federation of Discharged Sailors and Soldiers.
East Kilbride War Relief.
Lamington War Work Party.
Carstairs Women's Red Cross Work Party.
Bellshill and District Branch of Scottish Federation of Discharged Sailors and Soldiers.
Springfield U.F. Church Roll of Honour Comforts Fund.
Calderbank Soldiers and Sailors Parcel Fund.
Stepps Red Cross Work Party.
Carstairs Carpet Bowling Club Concert in aid of Soldiers returning from the War.
Amateur Singing Competition at Holytown in aid of Red Cross.

Dunsyre Disabled Soldiers and Sailors Fund.
Lesmahagow Branch of Scottish Federation of Discharged Sailors and Soldiers.
Barn Dance and Social in aid of Soldiers from Dunsyre district.

The meeting, having considered the applications above referred to, agreed to grant exemption in each case.

Cinematograph Act. — Renewal of Licences.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of the last meeting of the committee, he had granted renewals of licences under the Cinematograph Act. in the following cases, viz.:—

Name and Address of Licensee.	Situation of Licensed Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
James Blair, Manager, Gilbertfield Co-operative Society, Ltd., Halfway, Cambuslang,	Co-operative Hall, Glen Street, Halfway, Cambuslang,	9th June, 1919.
George Urie Scott, 95 Renfield Street, Glasgow,	Empire Theatre, Larkhall,	12th August, 1919.
John R. Russell, Picture House, Stewart Street, Carluke,	Picture House, Stewart Street, Carluke,	20th Sept., 1919.
James Frame, Gowanbrae, Larkhall.	Larkhall Picture House,	29th August, 1919.
David Mercer, Seafield Cottage, Tarbrax, Cobbinshaw.	Hall at Tarbrax, Cobbinshaw.	23rd Oct., 1919.
Samuel Hyslop Train. Charing Cross, Larkhall,	Jubilee Hall, Lesmahagow,	21st Oct., 1919.
John Wright, Main Street, Harthill.	Coronation Picture Hall, Main Street, Harthill,	10th Nov., 1919.
Robert Tedman, 26 Main Street, Stane, Shotts,	Empire Theatre, Stane, Shotts,	9th Nov., 1919.
John George Sewell, 115 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow,	Public Hall, Uddingston,	16th Nov., 1919.
Alfred Palmer, Main Street, Lesmahagow,	Movable structure,	18th Nov., 1919.
James M'Burnie, Hamilton Road, Bellshill,	The Pavilion, Tannochside,	20th Oct., 1919.
James Hamilton, Jr., Braehead, Coalburn,	Victoria Hall, Coalburn, Lesmahagow,	30th Nov., 1919.
Thomas Ormiston, 6 Brandon Street, Motherwell,	The Theatre, Main Street, Bellshill,	8th Dec., 1919.
Richard Vincent Singleton, 28 Great Hamilton Street, Glasgow,	Livingstone Hall, Glasgow Road, Blantyre.	9th Dec., 1919.
Alfred John Carter, The Palladium, Dennistoun, Glasgow.	Holytown Picture House,	30th Nov., 1919.
Edward Henry Bostock, *per* Rene Clayton, The Hippodrome, Hamilton,	Blantyre Picture House,	5th Dec., 1919.
James George, Highbury Drive, Burnside, Rutherglen,	Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang,	31st Dec., 1919.
*Thomas Gardner, Maybank, Caldercruix,	Pryde's Hall, Glengowan, Caldercruix,	24th Sept., 1919.

* This Licence was previously in name of Miss Christina Pryde, Glengowan, Caldercruix (deceased), and has been transferred to Thomas Gardner.

The meeting approved.

Band By-laws—Special permits.

The Clerk also reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had granted special permits under the Band By-laws in the following cases, viz.:—

Bellshill Pipe Band (Thomas Bissett, Cross Mansions, Bellshill), applicable for six months within the Parish of Bothwell.

Carluke Brass Band (John Gass, Carluke), applicable for six months within the County.

Entertainments Tax—Communication from Custom-House, London.

There was submitted a communication, dated 16th ultimo, from the Secretary, Custom House, London, suggesting that an arrangement should be entered into between the Board of Customs and Excise and this Local Authority, for the supervision by the County Police of the collection of the tax at entertainments, with a view to the prevention or detection of frauds or irregularities. The Clerk stated that he had been in communication on the subject with the Chief Constable of the County, who expressed the opinion that there would be no difficulty in the Police undertaking the work in conjunction with their other duties. The meeting, after consideration, approved generally of such an arrangement being entered into and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Cambuslang Closing Order.—Letter from Secretary to Merchants' Association.

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 11th October, 1918, from the Secretary of the Cambuslang Merchants' Association, calling attention to the fact that four drapers in Cambuslang were failing to comply with the voluntary arrangement for the closing of such businesses at 7 o'clock on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and 9 o'clock on Saturday. The Clerk having reported the steps which he had taken relative thereto, the meeting agreed to continue the matter in his hands.

Bellshill Post Office.

There having been submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Joseph Sullivan, calling attention to the inadequacy of the existing buildings at Bellshill for the purpose of a Post Office, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Postmaster-General, with a view to more satisfactory arrangements being made.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

26th February, 1919.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John A. Beattie. A. D. Mack.
Rev. George Goodfellow. William Sym.
David Thomson.

Chairman.

Mr. Thomson was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 8th January, 1919, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Names of new streets in connection with housing schemes in Middle Ward District.

The Clerk submitted a communication, dated 29th January, 1919, which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, together with relative sketch plans, showing the proposed names of new streets in connection with the housing schemes at Wellshot, Cambuslang; Calder Road, Bellshill; Thankerton, Holytown; Carmyle; and Mossend. The meeting, after consideration, approved of the names recommended to be given to the new streets referred to.

War Charities Act.—Applications for exemption.

There were submitted the following applications for exemption under the War Charities Act, viz.:—

Bredisholm Workmen's Relief Committee.

Barn Dance at Carnwath in aid of Discharged Soldiers.

Efforts in Shotts District to raise funds to alleviate Distress caused through the War.

Concert at Dolphinton in aid of King's Fund for Disabled Officers and Men.

Amateur Dramatic Entertainment at Blantyre in aid of Limbless Soldiers and Sailors.

Efforts in Carluke District in aid of Soldiers' Widows, &c.

The meeting, having considered the applications above referred to, agreed to grant exemption in each case.

Cinematograph Act. — Hall at Oakbank, Muirhead.

The Clerk submitted an application he had received from Mr. James Clark, 27 Heathfield, Chryston, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act in respect of a hall at Oakbank, Muirhead, which had been previously licensed under the Act. The Clerk stated that the premises had been again inspected by Superintendent M'Culloch, who reported that they complied with the requirements of the Act. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to grant a licence in respect of the premises referred to, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Cinematograph Act. — Old School, School Road, Newmains.

The Clerk also submitted an application he had received from Mr. Alexander R. Finlayson, Shields Glen Tea Rooms, Motherwell, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act in respect of the Old School, School Road, Newmains, which had been previously licensed under the Act. The Clerk having stated that the premises had been again inspected by Superintendent Easton, who reported that they complied with the requirements of the Act, the meeting agreed to grant a licence in respect of the same.

Cinematograph Act. — Renewals of licences.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of the last meeting of the committee, he had granted renewals of licenses under the Cinematograph Act, in the following cases, viz.: —

Name and Address of Licensee.	Situation of Licensed Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
James M'Burnie, Hamilton Road, Bellshill	Pavilion Theatre, Main Street, Mossend	22nd December, 1919.
James Sneddon, C.A., *Herald* Buildings, Brandon Street, Hamilton	Shotts Picture House	8th December, 1919.
Mrs. Bgidget Burns, 17 Broomgate Street, Lanark	Coalburn Picture House	4th December, 1919.
Chas. Alex. Easson, 23 Merry Street, Motherwell	Stonehouse Picture House	8th December, 1919.
George Muir, Manager, Co-op. Society, Blantyre	Hall, 6 Herbertson Street, Blantyre	11th January, 1920.
John Thos Blincow, Hill Top Villa, Gartcosh	Gartcosh Public Hall	28th Janurry, 1920.
Robert Bruce, 38 Lawrie Street, Stonehouse	Public Hall, Stonehouse	14th February, 1920.
Alfred Gordon Nisbet, Westburn Picture House, Newton	Westburn Picture House, Newton	3rd February, 1920.

The meeting approved.

Letter from Royal Scottish Automobile Club regarding Bye-laws under Advertisements Regulation Act, 1907.

There was submitted a letter, dated 12th February 1919, from the Royal Scottish Automobile Club, urging upon the County Council the importance of making Bye-laws for the regulation of disfiguring advertisement displays, and directing attention to the powers conferred upon Local Authorities under the Advertisements Regulation Act, 1907, to make Bye-laws and Regulations for the control of such advertisements.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that several years ago the County Council had framed Bye-laws under the Act referred to; that these had been duly transmitted to the Secretary for Scotland for confirmation, but that the Secretary for Scotland could not see his way to confirm the Bye-laws as then framed. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to postpone consideration of the matter.

Post Office at Bellshill. –Letter from Postmaster General.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had written to the Postmaster-General, London, regarding the Post Office at Bellshill, and he submitted a communication from the Postmaster-General, stating that the matter would receive consideration.

Band Bye-laws.—Special permits.

The Clerk also reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had granted special permits under the Band Bye-laws in the following cases, viz.:—

1. The Salvation Army Band (per George Williamson, 125c Alexander Street, Coatbridge)—Applicable within the County for six months.

2. Blantyre Silver Band (per Maxwell Sneddon, 11 George Street, Burnbank)—Applicable within the Parish of Blantyre for six months.

3. Motherwell Pipe Band (per W. P. Campbell, 13 Melville Crescent, Motherwell)—Applicable within the County of Lanark for twelve months.

4. Shotts Caledonian Pipe Band (per Thomas M'Allister, Station Road, Shotts)—Applicable within the County of Lanark for six months.

The meeting approved.

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JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 15th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destruction Works at Cambuslang. — 15th January, 1919.

Present—

Owen Coyle.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Walker.

Attending—

D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer.
T. Ross, Acting Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 4th September, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were submitted and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted letter from Mr. D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer, intimating that he had been demobilised from the Army on 8th instant, and was now free to resume his former duties. — Letter from Mr. D. M. Eunson.

After a consideration of staffing arrangements, it was agreed that Mr. Eunson should take up his old position, and that his salary should be the same as at present paid to the Acting Resident Engineer, viz., £5 5s. per week, or at the rate of £273 per annum. — Staffing arrangements.

It was agreed to record in the minutes the committee's appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Ross as Acting Resident Engineer during the last three years, in the absence of Mr. Eunson, and to appoint him foreman of the works at a wage of £4 per week. — Appreciation of services rendered by Mr. Ross.

There were submitted to the meeting applications from (1) the shift engineers and jointers, for an increase of 5s. per week on the present rates; and (2) the firemen and labourers, for an increase of 1s. per shift. Information having been submitted of the wages ruling elsewhere, the meeting, after consideration, decided that no further increase was justifiable under present conditions, and resolved accordingly. — Applications for increase in wages.

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FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 15th January, 1919.

Present—

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
A. H. J. Briggs.
John Campbell.
James Cameron.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
John P. Kinghorn.
Robert Lambie.
Peter MacAuslan.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
William Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 20th November, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

There was submitted and read a report by the Firemaster, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee, which was in the following terms:— Report by Firemaster.

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, N.B., January 13th, 1919.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit a Tender, amounting to £1,675, by Messrs. Dennis Bros., for a six-cylinder engine. It will be noticed that the cost is £410 more than that of a four-cylinder. The engine tendered for is an improved type of the engine originally supplied by Messrs. Dennis in 1910, at a cost of £1,099 15s.

I beg to submit a petition received from the members of the Fire Brigade at Larkhall. The present retaining fee is 2s. a week to firemen. I beg to suggest that, if any alteration is to be made in the retaining fee, the whole of the pay for fire services should be revised.

In the Annual Statistics which have been sent out, it will be noticed that the Bellshill Detachment has had very much more work to do than any other. Before the War you decided to form a new Station at Wishaw. If this is gone on with the area covered by Bellshill will be considerably reduced.

I beg to hand in a letter from Messrs. Robert M'Tear & Co., regarding the hose destroyed at a fire at Chemical Works, Falkirk. Messrs. M'Tear & Co. inspected the hose on behalf of the Cross Chemical Co., against whom a claim has been made by you for damaged hose. To the question: "What would be a fair depreciation to put on the hose?" I replied that value of the hose to the Brigade was the cost of replacement, but that I would submit the matter to you at your first meeting.

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
Chief Constable and Firemaster.

Offer of Messrs. Dennis Bros., Ltd., to supply new fire-engine accepted.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the County Firemaster stated that he had been in communication with Messrs. Dennis Brothers, Ltd., Guildford, from whom he submitted an offer to supply a "Dennis" six-cylinder 400-gallon petrol motor turbine fire-engine, of 75 h.p., all as set forth in their letter, and relative specification and tender, dated 10th December, 1918, for the sum of £1,675. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accept the offer.

Remuneration of Fire Brigade staff. —Remit to sub-committee.

There was submitted an application on behalf of the unmarried constable-firemen engaged in connection with the Larkhall Fire Station for an increase in the retaining allowance and in the allowance for extra duties. The meeting, after discussion, remitted to the following sub-committee to consider the question of remuneration of the whole of the Fire Brigade staff, and to report, viz.:—

George Fraser. Robert Lambie.
William Wilson.

Mr. Wilson to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Question of Fire Station at Wishaw.

The Clerk having reminded the meeting that before the War negotiations had taken place with the Town Council of Wishaw, with a view to the erection of a Fire Station on the site of the Police Buildings there, the meeting agreed to delay consideration of the question, and, meantime, instructed the Clerk to report to a future meeting as to the exact position in which the matter now stood.

Claim for hose destroyed at fire at Camelon.

With reference to the claim made by the committee against Messrs. Alexander Cross & Sons, Ltd., for the replacement of hose destroyed while the Fire Brigade was in attendance at a fire at their Camelon Works, the meeting concurred in the view expressed by the Firemaster in his report, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 5th February, 1919.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.	PETER MACAUSLAN.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	THOMAS H. PATERSON.
JAMES CAMERON.	ALEXANDER PILLANS.
GEORGE FRASER.	WILLIAM SYM.
GILBERT HAMILTON.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES KELLY.	DAVID THOMSON.
JOHN P. KINGHORN.	WILLIAM WILSON.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 15th January, 1919, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the sub-committee appointed in regard to the remuneration of members of the Fire Brigades staff, of date 29th January, 1919 (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee, were approved of and signed. It was agreed that the increases referred to in the minutes of the sub-committee should take effect as from 25th January, 1919. Minutes of Sub-Committee on Remuneration of Members of Fire Brigades Staff.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the salaries of members of the Fire Brigade staff, other than those already dealt with, unanimously agreed to grant increases of salary, as follows:— Salary of County Firemaster and others.

Captain Despard, County Firemaster—Salary increased from £150 to £200 per annum;

Superintendent Morrison—Salary increased from £30 to £55 per annum;

Sergeant Lamond, Instructor—Salary increased from £30 to £55 per annum

the increases to take effect on the next pay-bill.

Hose destroyed at fire at Camelon.—Letter from Messrs M'Tear & Co.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter, dated 31st January, 1919, from Messrs. Robert M'Tear & Co., Valuators, Glasgow, acting on behalf of Messrs. Alexander Cross & Co., Ltd., Camelon, asking the committee to allow a deduction of one-third of the cost of the new hose in respect of depreciation in the hose destroyed at the fire in Messrs. Cross' works, but the meeting, after consideration, could not see their way to depart from their previous decision.

Fire station at Wishaw.

The Clerk stated that he had looked into the question of the Fire Station at Wishaw, and reported to the committee as to the position in which the matter now stood. The Clerk having stated that he had ascertained from the Town-Clerk of Wishaw that the Town Council had not yet reconsidered the question, the meeting agreed to continue consideration of it.

APPENDIX.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON REMUNERATION TO MEMBERS OF FIRE BRIGADE STAFF.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th January, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with regard to Remuneration to the Members of the Fire Brigade Staff. 29th January, 1919.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM WILSON.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the sub-committee, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Remit.

"There was submitted an application on behalf of the unmarried constable firemen engaged in connection with the Larkhall Fire Station for an increase in the retaining allowance and in the allowance for extra duties. The meeting, after discussion, remitted to the following sub-committee to consider the question of remuneration of the whole of the Fire Brigade Staff, and to report, viz.:—

George Fraser. Robert Lambie.
William Wilson.

Mr. Wilson to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum."

The meeting, after careful consideration, and having before them a statement containing information on the subject prepared by the Firemaster, agreed to recommend to the committee that there be paid to members of the Fire Brigades Staff, by way of retaining allowance—that is, an allowance made to the men in respect of their being obliged when off Police duty to be in attendance at the Fire Brigade Station in the event of their services being required—the following:— Recommendations of sub-committee.

Retaining Allowance.—Five Principal Stations—

(1) Firemen, including all ranks of the Constabulary and civilians, not classed as 1st or 2nd Officers or Drivers, 7s. per week.

(2) 1st Officer, 10s. per week.
2nd Officer, 9s. per week.

(3) 1st Drivers, 11s. per week.
2nd Drivers, 9s. per week.

Cleaning Hose.

The Fire Detachment to be paid 8d. per length for washing hose, whether used at fires or practice.

Assisting Mechanic with Engine Repairs.

The sum of 1s. per hour to be paid to men assisting the Mechanic or 1st Driver at any Fire Station in the repair of his engine in such work as it is impossible for the Mechanic or 1st Driver to perform by himself—this allowance, however, not to be given to any man receiving a retaining fee as a second driver.

Fire Sub-Stations.

The retaining allowances for these to remain as at present—2s. 6d. per week to the officer in charge, and 2s. to all other classes of firemen, all of whom may participate in the allowance suggested for cleaning hose after use.

Civilian Firemen.

Civilian firemen to be paid a retaining allowance of 7s. per week, on the understanding that they shall be held under a penalty of the loss of one week's retaining allowance if they, at any time, leave their locality without notifying the officer in charge of the Fire Detachment.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd January, 1919. being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 22nd January, 1919.

Present—

THOMAS ARNOT.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
JAMES CAMERON.
WILLIAM GARDNER.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
ALEXANDER A. KEITH.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
PETER MACAUSLAN.
A. D. MACK.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
Colonel Sir ROBERT KING STEWART. K.B.E.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN, M.B.E.
DAVID THOMSON.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER, M.B.E.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 27th November, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit from the County Council to the Committee, which was in the following terms, viz.:— — Remit to committee.

"Under reference to the minutes of the Public Health Committee, of "date 27th November, 1918, the meeting, while approving of the re- "commendations contained therein, agreed that, in view of the indication "given by Dr. Wilson, the County Medical Officer, of his desire to resign, "it be remitted to the Public Health Committee to confer with the several "District Committees, in regard to future arrangements relating to the Public "Health Administration within the County, and to report.

"Reference having been made to the absence of recommendations for "increase of salary in the case of certain members of the County Public "Health Staff, Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, stated that it was the "intention of the Committee to consider the position of the Officers referred "to later on, and to report."

Proposed Conference with District Committees.

As relative thereto the Clerk reported that he had written to the several District Committees, inviting them to appoint representatives to attend a Conference, to be held in Glasgow, on Wednesday, 29th current, and that the Upper and Middle Ward District Committees had appointed representatives to attend the meeting, but that he had not yet received a reply from the Lower Ward District Committee.

Mr. Auld thereafter moved that, as the Lower Ward District Committee had not had an opportunity of considering the matter, the Conference be postponed, which was seconded by Mr. Love. A vote having been taken as for and against Mr. Auld's motion, and a majority having voted in favour of it, the Chairman declared it carried.

Staffing.—Communication from County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted and read a communication which he had received from the County Medical Officer, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 21st January, 1919.

"DEAR SIR THOMAS,

"I am very pleased to be able to report that Dr. Robert Richards has indicated his willingness to return to his civil duties in the Lower Ward area at the £500 decided at the last meeting. He attended a Lower Ward meeting a few days ago while on leave, and was welcomed by the members of the Lower Ward District Committee. I would suggest that his salary should commence from the 15th instant, the date of his demobilisation. I should also report that Dr. Richards has taken his M.D. degree on a subject for which he has been awarded a gold medal, and I hope we will be able to retain his services.

"Dr. Scroggie arrived in this country on a month's leave some weeks ago, wearing his Military Cross ribbon, and has met most members of the Middle Ward District Committee. He was with the Field Ambulance at first in France and latterly in Macedonia, where he earned the high appreciation of his Commanding Officer, and was even recommended for a D.S.O. An application for his release has already been received from the Ministry of National Service, and he will be demobilised shortly. He expects to get married and take up residence in the Middle Ward District. The Committee will remember that the question of Dr. Scroggie's salary was left over pending his return, but I will leave this for the consideration of the Committee.

"Dr. Patterson, of the Bacteriological Laboratory, is recommended for £100 increase, this being on the lines of the increases granted to the other members of the Medical Staff.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

Salaries.—Increases recommended.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to recommend the County Council to grant the following increases of salary, viz.:—

Dr. F. H. Scroggie—Salary, £500—increased to £600 per annum;
Dr. Hume Patterson—Salary, £450—increased to £550 per annum;

the increases to take effect as from 15th January, 1919.

There was submitted a communication from the Local Government Board, Edinburgh, dated 11th January, 1919, inviting this County Council to appoint three representatives to attend a Conference to be held in the Offices of the Board, 125 George Street, Edinburgh, on Thursday, 30th January, to discuss the question of the provision of Maternity and Sick Children's Hospitals for the areas in the Middle and Upper Wards of Lanark in combination. The meeting, after consideration, appointed Messrs. Love, Shanks, and Sullivan, along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer to attend the Conference.

Maternity and Sick Children's Hospitals.—Conference in Edinburgh.

There was submitted a communication, dated 7th January, 1919, from a committee representing jointly the Institute of Chemistry and the Society of Public Analysts, calling attention to the present position of Public Analysts and Official Agricultural Analysts, and the need for a revision of the fees payable to them. The Clerk having submitted information as to the fees, &c., presently paid to the County Analyst and the Official Agricultural Analyst for this County, the meeting agreed to delay consideration of the question, and meantime instructed the Clerk to ascertain what steps had been taken by other Local Authorities in this connection, and to report.

Public Analysts and Official Agricultural Analysts.—Question of revision of fees.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

26th February, 1919.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Love.
William Gardner.	A. D. Mack.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	Peter MacAuslan.
Gavin Hamilton.	Alexander Pillans.
Gilbert Hamilton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
John Hurll.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Alexander A. Keith.	
Robert Lambie.	David Thomson.

William B. Thomson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 22nd January, 1919, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of last meeting.

There was submitted a communication, dated 22nd January, 1919, from the Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute, London, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend a conference, to be held in London on

Conference of Royal Sanitary Institute in London.—Delegates appointed.

13th, 14th, and 15th March next, to consider post-war developments relating to Public Health. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Chairman and the Rev. Mr. Goodfellow, along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to attend the conference.

Workmen's Compensation (Silicosis) Act.—Communication from Under-Secretary of State.

The Clerk submitted the following communication from the Under-Secretary of State, viz.:—

"Home Office,
"Whitehall, 3rd February, 1919.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Secretary of State to transmit to you the enclosed copy of correspondence between the Home Office and the Upper Ward District Committee, on the subject of the appointment of the Medical Officers under the Refractories Industries (Silicosis) Scheme, 1919, and to say that, with the concurrence of the District Committee, he proposes to appoint the Tuberculosis Officers to be *ex officio* Medical Officers under the scheme. Before doing so, however, he would be glad to be informed whether the County Council have any observations to offer, and whether any sums due in respect of the services or expenses of Tuberculosis Officers should be paid into the funds of the County Council or direct to the District Committee.

"Copies of the Workmen's Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1918, and of the scheme are enclosed.

"I am to ask for the favour of a reply at your earliest convenience.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

"R. R. BANNATYNE."

Act and scheme briefly explained by Clerk.

The Clerk briefly explained to the meeting the provisions of the Act and scheme above referred to, and stated that under the scheme it was proposed that a fee of 6s. (to cover all administrative and clerical charges) be paid in respect of each medical examination of a workman; that these fees should be paid out of the Compensation Fund direct to the Local Authority, and that any necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the appointed Medical Officer (including the cost of any radiographic examinations and any post-mortem examinations) would also be payable out of the Fund in the same manner.

Communication from Local Government Board.

The Clerk also submitted a communication, dated 24th December, 1918, from the Local Government Board, Edinburgh, to the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, stating that they had informed the Home Office they will have no objections to Tuberculosis Officers of this Local Authority acting as Medical Officers under the above scheme.

The Clerk reported that he had been in communication on the subject with the County Medical Officer, who stated that the several District Committees had considered this question, and had agreed that the Tuberculosis Officers should act as Medical Officers under the scheme.

Agreed that Tuberculosis Officers should act under the scheme.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the Tuberculosis Officers for the County should act as Medical Officers under the scheme, on the terms and conditions above set forth, and that any sums due in respect of the services or expenses of the Tuberculosis Officers be paid into the County Fund, and be credited to the account out of which the expense of the Tuberculosis Officers is met.

Communication from County Medical Officer.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following communication which he had received from the County Medical Officer, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 24th January, 1919.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Public Health Committee.

"There are still one or two minor matters in connection with the County staffing arrangements which require to be adjusted.

"If you remember, there is authority to increase the salaries of junior members of the staff up to £80 per annum. Might I suggest that this sum be raised to £100, so as to cover all the young men who are assisting in the Bacteriological Laboratory?

"With regard to Rivers Pollution inspection, you will remember that there is a vacancy on the staff, owing to Inspector M'Naughton's death. I am not proposing to fill this vacancy meanwhile, and find that it would be convenient if Inspector M'Arthur had the use of a motor car. It has been found necessary to incur motor hires from time to time, but it would be more economical from all points of view if he were to purchase, say, a Ford motor car. This he is willing to do, charging whatever mileage rates the County Council may determine, 10d. being the rate at present. This arrangement would not only allow of long distances, especially in outlying parts of the County, being covered speedily and necessary visits of inspection to be made at all hours, but would also be useful in other ways, as for example in conveying heavy samples, &c., free of any expense, as occasion required.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON,
"*County Medical Officer.*"

Salaries to junior members of staff.—Authority to County Medical Officer.

The meeting authorised the County Medical Officer, in consultation with the County Clerk, to grant increases of salary to the junior members of his staff up to £104 per annum.

Question of granting mileage allowance to Inspector M'Arthur in respect of use of motor car.

The meeting, having discussed the question of granting a mileage allowance to Inspector M'Arthur in respect of the use, for the purpose of making visits of inspection, of a motor car proposed to be purchased by him, agreed to continue the matter for consideration, and meantime instructed the Clerk to collate and submit information as to the use of motor cars for official purposes.

Medical staffing arrangements.—Letter from County Medical Officer.

The Clerk also submitted the following letter from the County Medical Officer on the subject of medical staffing arrangements, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 11th February, 1919.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Medical Staffing Arrangements.

"In connection with the Medical Service and Child Welfare Schemes submitted by the District Committees, and so far approved by the Local Government Board, the Board have requested the Middle Ward District Committee to appoint two whole-time Medical Officers specially for this work. Such Officers do not require to possess a D.P.H. or other Public

Health qualification, but should have special experience in the recognition and treatment of the diseases of infancy and childhood. Dr. H. J. Thomson was appointed in January, 1918, as a temporary Medical Officer in this capacity to the County staff, and I would now suggest that he be transferred to the Middle Ward staff as one of these two Medical Officers, since his duties are about to be confined to that area.

"In the Upper Ward District two local medical practitioners have been appointed as Medical Officers at Child Welfare Centres, one in Lanark (Dr. Gourlay) and the other in Lesmahagow (Dr. Harrison). These two Medical Officers would form part of the Upper Ward staff. These arrangements will not prevent the six Assistant Medical Officers of Health, appointed on a County basis in 1913, from taking a share in Child Welfare work, and the Board have approved of all the assistants acting as Executive Officers under the schemes and as Medical Officers at the Centres, as may be arranged.

"There is one vacancy on the County staff, for which I am recommending the Middle Ward District Committee to nominate Dr. Sutherland, of the County Sanatorium, Stonehouse. This will complete the staffing arrangements on the pre-war basis, viz., four assistants in the Middle Ward, one in the Upper Ward, and one in the Lower Ward Districts.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN T. WILSON."

Dr. H. J. Thomson.

With reference thereto, the meeting agreed that the services of Dr. H. J. Thomson should be devoted primarily to the work connected with Maternity Service and Child Welfare Schemes in the Middle Ward District of the County.

Dr. Joseph R. Sutherland.

The meeting also resolved to recommend the County Council to appoint Dr. Joseph R. Sutherland, presently Resident Physician at the County Sanatorium, Stonehouse, if nominated by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, to be an Assistant Medical Officer of Health for the County, at a salary of £500 per annum, the appointment to be subject to the provisions of Section 54(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and to the same conditions as apply in the case of other Assistant Medical Officers.

Salary of Mr. John H. Lindsay.

The meeting, after an explanation by the Clerk, having proceeded to consider the salary of Mr. John H. Lindsay, Statistical Clerk in the Public Health Department, agreed that his salary be increased from £150 to £200 per annum, the increase to take effect as from 15th November last.

Letter of thanks from Dr. Wilson for honorarium.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, thanking the County Council very cordially for the honorarium recently granted to him.

Fees payable to County Analyst.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had communicated with several other Local Authorities in Scotland as to the fees, &c., payable by them to their respective Analysts under the Food and Drugs Acts, and he laid before the meeting a statement (Appendix) containing a synopsis of the information received. The meeting agreed to delay consideration of the matter meantime.

Synopsis of Information received from other Local Authorities.

County.	Amount of Retaining Fee.	Fee for each Analysis.	Fee for Attendance at Court.	Any other Allowances.	What increase, if any, has been granted in respect of increased cost of living, &c.?
ABERDEEN, ...	Salary, £175 for analysis of samples not exceeding 250.	—	£1 1s. if in Aberdeen, and £2 2s. and travelling expenses if elsewhere.	Council pay printing of analyst's forms, &c.	From 15th May, 1917, a war bonus of £62 10s. granted.
ARGYLL, ...	—	Fees ranging from 5s. to £1 1s., according to article analysed.	10s. 6d. per hour.	Quarterly Report, 5s.	—
AYR, ...	—	10s. 6d.	—	—	—
DUMFRIES, ...	£36 15s.	—	—	Analyst provided with laboratory accommodation, &c.	—
DUNBARTON, ...	£2 2s.	10s. 6d.	£1 1s. (plus travelling expenses).	—	—
FIFE, ...	£52 10s.	Fees range from 2s. 6d. to 10s. 6d., according to article analysed.	£3 3s. (plus travelling expenses).	—	—
LANARK, ...	£5	10s.	10s. 6d. per hour (plus travelling expenses).	—	—
MIDLOTHIAN, ...	—	10s. 6d.	£3 3s.	—	—
PERTH, ...	Salary, £100	—	No special fee fixed.	—	—
RENFREW, ...	Salary, £10	10s. 6d.	10s. 6d. per hour (plus travelling expenses).	—	—
STIRLING, ...	—	7s. 6d., partial; 10s. 6d., full.	10s. 6d. per hour; maximum per day, £1 11s. 6d.	—	—

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Conference of the Public Health Committee of the County Council with Representatives of the several District Committees in the County. 26th February, 1919.

Present—

As representing the Public Health Committee of the County Council—

J. Rae Ide Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
George Fraser.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
Gilbert Hamilton.
John Hurll.
Alexander A. Keith.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Peter MacAuslan.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.

Sir Thomas Munro, K.B.E., County Clerk.
Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

Robert Law.

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

John A. Beattie.
William Templeton.
William Walker.

W. E. Whyte, O.B.E., Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

William Davie.
George Gordon.
John Train.

Mr. Briggs and Mr. Hurll being also present as representing the District Committee.

James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee.

Mr. Lambie was appointed Chairman of the Conference. Chairman.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Remit from County Council.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit from the County Council, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Under reference to the minutes of the Public Health Committee, "of date 27th November, 1918, the meeting, while approving of the "recommendations contained therein, agreed that, in view of the indi- "cation given by Dr. Wilson, the County Medical Officer, of his desire to "resign, it be remitted to the Public Health Committee to confer with "the several District Committees, in regard to future arrangements "relating to the Public Health Administration within the County, and "to report.

"Reference having been made to the absence of recommendations for "increase of salary in the case of certain members of the County Public "Health Staff, Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, stated that it was "the intention of the Committee to consider the position of the Officers "referred to later on, and to report.

"The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, "approved of the minutes of the several Committees and Sub-Committees "above mentioned."

Statement by County Clerk.

With reference thereto, the County Clerk explained that this week he had had an opportunity of conferring with Dr. Wilson, who then stated he did not intend that the indication of his resignation should take effect immediately; and that, in view of the return of members of the medical staff from war service and of an improvement in the condition of his health, he was prepared to continue his duties for some years to come.

The Conference, having discussed the situation, were of the opinion that, if Dr. Wilson was prepared to continue in office, as reported by the County Clerk, the need for action on the remit from the County Council no longer existed.

Dr. Wilson was then called in, and, in reply to the Chairman, confirmed the statement made by the County Clerk. The Conference thereupon resolved to report to the County Council that no further action required to be taken under the remit.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. — 26th February, 1919.

Present—

William Gardner.	James C. Pollok.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Gavin Hamilton.	William Sym.
William K. Jackson.	William Templeton.
John M. Loudon.	David Thomson.
William Love.	

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding — Chairman.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. William Wilson. — Apology for absence.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd October, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

The following Orders by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries were laid before the meeting and explained by the Clerk, viz.:— — Orders by Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Yorkshire (West Riding) and District (Foot-and-Mouth Disease) Order of 1919.

Importation of Dogs (Amendment) Order of 1919 (No. 2).

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, there had been notified 61 cases under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and that of these 3 were anthrax cases, the particulars of these being as follows, viz.:—

Anthrax.

Holmhead Farm, Avondale (William Lindsay).—In this case the animal affected was a 1½-year-old Ayrshire quey, which had been bred on the premises. The feeding consisted of oat sheaves and home-grown turnips. No artificial feeding was given to the animal, and the source of infection is rather obscure. There remained on the premises 11 animals. The restrictions were withdrawn on 7th December.

West Forth Farm, Forth (Robert Anderson).—The animal affected in this case was a 5-year-old Ayrshire cow in milk, which had been on the premises for a period of 2 years. The only artificial feeding-stuff used was Egyptian cotton cake, and suspicion attaches to it as containing some infection to cause death. There remained on the premises 106 cattle, 215 sheep, and 15 horses. The restrictions were withdrawn on 17th December.

Airbles Farm, Motherwell (James Marshall).—In this case the animal affected was a 5-year-old Ayrshire cow in milk, which had been on the premises for 2 years. The artificial feeding-stuffs used were Bibby's meal and Brazilian bean meal, and it is surmised that death was due to these containing infection. This is the first death from anthrax amongst the stock on this farm. There remained on the premises 40 cattle, 4 swine, and 4 horses. The restrictions were withdrawn on 11th February.

In each of the above cases the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector was confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Glanders.—Suspected cases.

The Clerk reported that suspected cases of glanders had occurred at—

Parkneuk Colliery, Motherwell (The Glasgow Iron & Steel Co., Limited); and

Thornlie Street, Wishaw (Gilchrist Bros.).

Parasitic mange.

The Clerk also reported that cases of parasitic mange had occurred at—

Lower Braidwood, Carluke (A. Hamilton);
4 Inglis Street, Wishaw (David Prentice);
Kitchener Street, Wishaw (John M'Gill);
Nethershields Farm, Chapelton (Hugh Sweeney);
Dundyvan Cottage, Dundyvan Road, Wishaw (James Flynn); and
Sandyhills Farm, Shettleston (John Anderson).

Parasitic mange contraventions.

There were submitted police informations in the three cases last referred to for alleged contraventions of the Parasitic Mange Order. The meeting, having been informed of the circumstances of each case, instructed the Clerk to institute proceedings against the accused.

There was also submitted police information for an alleged contravention of the Parasitic Mange Order in the case of Netherburn Stables, Dalserf (William Sloway), which was reported to the last meeting of the committee. The Clerk having explained the circumstances of the case, the meeting, after consideration, agreed not to institute proceedings against the accused in this instance.

Parasitic mange.—Suspected cases.

The Clerk reported that suspected cases of parasitic mange had occurred at—

Sandymount Cemetery, Shettleston (William Jack);

32 Carfin Road, Wishaw (Mr. M'Inulty);

Church Street, Cambuslang (John M'Donald);

East Glespin, Douglas (James Wilson);

16 Glasgow Road, Burnbank (Mrs. Brown);

The Brae, Lesmahagow (John Peat);

Netherburn (William Sloway);

Blackwood (Robert Brown, carter);

Holm Forge, Motherwell (William Smith);

Craighead, Lesmahagow (Andrew Walker);

Orchard Street, Motherwell (William Wilson);

Salsburgh (Mrs. Denholm, carter); and

Overjohnstone, Craigneuk, Wishaw (William Hamilton).

Parasitic Mange Order.—Report by County Veterinary Inspector.

There was laid before the meeting Report (Appendix I) by the County Veterinary Inspector, relative to work done within the County under the Parasitic Mange Orders during the past seven years. Mr. Begg directed attention to the fact that, whilst there were three varieties of mange met with in horses, only two of these—Sarcoptic Mange and Psoroptic Mange—were scheduled, and that the third—Symbiotic Mange, commonly known as leg mange—though not so important, often caused the affected animals a great deal of inconvenience and restlessness; and he urged that representation should be made to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries in the matter, with a view to having it included in the Parasitic Mange Orders as a notifiable disease. The meeting approved, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Contagious abortion and sterility in bovines.—Report by County Veterinary Inspector.

There was also laid before the meeting Report (Appendix II) by the County Veterinary Inspector, relative to contagious abortion and sterility in bovines. The meeting, after hearing a statement by Mr. Begg, were of opinion that the attention of stock owners within the County should be directed to the question of vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion, and remitted to the Clerk to arrange for publicity being given in the agricultural press to the terms of Mr. Begg's report.

Meeting thanks Mr. Begg for reports.

The meeting thanked Mr. Begg for the very able and exhaustive reports which he had submitted.

Vaccination of herds.—Report by County Veterinary Inspector.

The Clerk submitted Report No. 6 (Appendix III) by the County Veterinary Inspector, regarding the vaccination of herds for the prevention of abortion.

Swine fever.—Infected places.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Orders, viz.:—

Parkneuk Cottage, Holytown (Andrew Allan), (2).
Bowshill House, Thornhill Avenue, Blantyre (Margaret Cleland or Low).
Fairfad Farm, East Kilbride (Robert Withers).
26 Crichton Street, Coatbridge (Alexander Sked).
Harelaw Farm, Chapelton (Andrew Semple).
Arpochhill Farm, East Kilbride (Wm. Orr).
Woodbine Cottage, Burnhead, Larkhall (Peter Meek).
New Monkland Poorhouse, Airdrie (James Wynnes).
Chapman's Land, Glenboig (David Wilson);

but that the movement restrictions placed upon the premises had since been withdrawn in each of the above cases.

Rabies.—Suspected cases.

The Clerk laid before the meeting communications which he had received from the County Veterinary Inspector, relative to suspected cases of rabies in dogs at—

1. Simsonland Glen, Quarter (owner unknown).
2. Earnockmuir, Hamilton (Thomas Brownlie);

but he stated that the examination in both cases had proved negative.

Rabies.—Communication from Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

There was also laid before the meeting a communication, of date 30th October last, from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, with reference to the serious spread of rabies in Cornwall and Devon, and suggesting the desirability of Local Authorities issuing placards within their respective districts, warning owners of dogs of the risk incurred in taking dogs into these Counties, of the restrictions to which they will be subject if they are taken there, and also of the necessity for immediately notifying any suspected symptoms appearing in dogs.

After consideration, the meeting did not think it necessary, meantime, to issue placards as suggested by the Board, but instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Chief Constable, with a view to measures being taken for the detection and report of any dogs showing symptoms of the disease.

Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order, 1918.—Communication from Board of Agriculture for Scotland.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a communication which he had received from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Board of Agriculture for Scotland,
"29 St. Andrew Square,
"Edinburgh, 5th February, 1919.

"Sir,

"Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1918.

"I am directed by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to refer to previous correspondence relative to the above Order, and to enclose herewith for your information an excerpt from the *Edinburgh Gazette*, of 28th ultimo.

containing a copy of a certificate issued by the Board, declaring certain districts within the area of your Local Authority to be "infected areas" under the Order.

"I am to add that a poster has been prepared, drawing the attention of occupiers of gardens situated in the areas in question to the provisions of the Order. A supply will be sent to you in due course, and the Board will be glad to learn how many copies will be required for exhibition within the area of your Local Authority.

"I am, &c.,

"J. J. W. HANDFORD,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

The excerpt referred to forms Appendix IV to this minute.

The Clerk stated that he had asked the Board for, and had now received, 1,000 prints of the posters to which they refer, and that he hoped to get these posted up in the course of a few days in the districts affected by the Order.

Extermination of rats.—Communication from Board of Agriculture for Scotland.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication, of date 31st January last, which had been received from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, with reference to the powers and duties conferred on Local Authorities under the Local Authorities (Rats) (Scotland) Order of 1918, and offering the following suggestions for the extermination of rats, viz.:—

1. The appointment of ratcatchers.
2. The periodical inspection of places suspected to be infested by rats.
3. An arrangement with the local Police to report any bad cases.
4. The encouragement of the formation of rat clubs.

The Clerk reminded the meeting of the proposals which were before the committee in 1916 for the extermination of rats and other farm pests, and of the reasons which at that time had prevented these proposals being carried out. The meeting, after consideration, inclined to the view that a partial scheme, such as that now proposed by the Board, would be of little value in a County such as this, and instructed the Clerk, in communicating with the Board, to say that, in their opinion, the only effective method of dealing with the rat nuisance would be by the adoption of a comprehensive scheme, such as that formulated in 1916.

Joint-Committee on Reconstruction.—Mr. Templeton added.

It was agreed to recommend to the County Council that the name of Mr. William Templeton be added to the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction in connection with applications which may be received for Small Holdings, &c.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.—Communication from Institute of Chemistry, &c., regarding revision of fees, &c

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication, of date 7th January last, from a committee representing jointly the Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and Ireland and the Society of Public Analysts, &c., directing attention to the present position of public analysts and official agricultural analysts, and suggesting a revision of the fees payable to them. The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with other Counties as to the fees paid by them under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Acts, and he submitted a synopsis of information (Appendix V) which he had prepared. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to delay consideration of the question meantime.

Wild Birds Order.—Republication.

The Clerk reported the republication of the Wild Birds (County of Lanark) Order of 1917, a print of which forms Appendix VI to the minutes of this meeting.

Salaries of Veterinary Inspector and staff.

In view of the expected early demobilisation and return of Mr. J. F. Taylor, Assistant Veterinary Inspector, and Mr. W. J. Dunn, Clerk in Mr. Begg's office, the Committee agreed to recommend that on their taking up duty their salaries should be as follows, viz. :—

Mr. James F. Taylor (present salary £230), £300 per annum.
Mr. W. J. Dunn (present salary £80), £140 per annum.

With reference to the County Veterinary Inspector, the meeting agreed to recommend that, in view of the extra duties which had devolved upon him during the past four and a half years, Mr. Begg be granted an honorarium of £100.

It was agreed to review at a later date the salaries of the County Veterinary Inspector and staff.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT,
COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 20*th February*, 1919.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACTS.

PARASITIC MANGE ORDERS OF 1911 and 1918.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the following Notes on Parasitic Mange, with some Statistics relative to the work done by my Department under the above Orders during the past seven years.

The Report is intended mainly to concatenate the information which it has been my privilege to put before the Executive Committee at various times regarding the operation of these Orders within the County, and which is contained in the printed minutes of their meetings held within the period referred to.

I am, SIR,

Yours faithfully,

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

Sir THOS. MUNRO,
COUNTY CLERK.

NOTES BY THE COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR ON PARASITIC MANGE AND WORK DONE UNDER THE PARASITIC MANGE ORDERS OF 1911 AND 1919, IN THE COUNTY OF LANARK, FROM JANUARY 1ST, 1912, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1918.

ALTHOUGH it has been recognised as a serious contagious disease for many generations, Parasitic Mange of Equines was not included in the list of scheduled diseases until January 1st, 1912.

Before then, with the single exception of "sheep-scab" (the popular name applied to parasitic mange of ovines), none of the ectoparasitic diseases of any class of our domesticated animals had been legislated for in this country. It is to be noted, however, that the different varieties of mange are known to exist in the various species of lower animals and, as in equines, are dependent on parasites peculiar to the species in each case.

The Order of 1911 was suspended on the outbreak of war, and remained in abeyance from August 6th, 1914, until March 19th, 1915, inclusive. This was done to give some relief to departments that were soon to be seriously depleted of their officials, but after six months it was evident that the disease was becoming more prevalent and the suspension of the Order was thereafter terminated.

The effect of the Order of 1918, which began on 22nd May, 1918, was to modify some of the articles of the earlier Order. *Inter alia* it provides, under certain stated precautions, for greater freedom of movement of affected animals under restriction than was allowed under the Order of 1911, and the reasons for such relief were presumably based on the exigencies of the agricultural and industrial situations created by the war. In this connection I have already explained to my committee that, for two years before the 1918 Order came out, I had found it imperative, in dealing with certain outbreaks, to anticipate and adopt the actual terms of the new Order, so that farmers and others might be able to comply with the demands of "food production committees." My action was never questioned, and as adequate precautions were taken to prevent the contact of diseased and healthy animals, nothing ulterior resulted, while the efficacy of treatment was not prejudiced, but rather enhanced, by the substitution of healthy activity in useful work for the slower functional action of the skin that pertains to enforced idleness in the stable.

Under the old Order the Veterinary Inspector was not required to differentiate between the two scheduled varieties of mange, but the new Order provides for such a diagnosis in each outbreak, and the freedom of movement allowed to sarcoptic cases is more limited than in those diagnosed as psoroptic.

There are three varieties of mange met with in horses, viz.:—

I. *Sarcoptic Mange*—due to the *Sarcoptes Equi*, which burrow beneath the skin where the female deposits her ova. On this account sarcoptic mange is more difficult to cure than the other varieties, and defective treatment is sure to be followed by a recurrence of the disease. The parasites are smaller than those responsible for the other two varieties.

II. *Psoroptic Mange*—due to the *Psoroptes Equi*, whose habitat is on the surface of the skin. This variety spreads more quickly over the body of the patient, but is more amenable to treatment than sarcoptic mange.

III. *Symbiotic Mange*—due to the *Symbiotes Equi*, which confine their operations chiefly to the skin of the limbs, though they are sometimes met with at the root of the tail.

Of the three varieties only the two first-named are scheduled. The third variety, commonly known as "leg-mange," is relatively unimportant, but it might also be scheduled as the victims of "itchy-legs" from this cause are very often neglected, suffer a deal of inconvenience, and are apt to injure their own or their neighbours' limbs through stamping and restlessness.

The different varieties of equine mange are transmissible from horse to horse and to asses and mules, in all of which they run a natural course if unchecked. Equine mange has been transmitted to man, the dog, and the smaller ruminants, but in them the infection is transient and soon disappears.

The sources of our information regarding suspected cases are various, and include :—

(*a*) The owner's or his Veterinary Surgeon's direct report to the Veterinary Department.

(*b*) The owner's or his Veterinary Surgeon's report to the police, who notify the Veterinary Department.

(*c*) Reports from knackers regarding carcases or animals which they have been asked to remove and which they regard as suspicious.

(*d*) Police reports regarding animals seen by them in the stable or street.

(*e*) Reports from other Local Authorities that animals recently bought in our area and transferred to their own are suffering from mange.

(*f*) Personal detection of cases at auction marts and elsewhere.

Procedure in Diagnosis.

The clinical appearance of a suspected animal, if it has not been dressed with irritant applications, is in many cases fairly reliable for diagnosis. Nevertheless, with few exceptions, before the issue of the Order of 1918, and since then in every case, scrapings are taken from the affected parts and sent to the County Bacteriologist for the microscopical detection of the casual parasite.

Scrapings are usually taken dry, but in special cases they are secured in a wet state, using a solution of liquor potassae. In such a solution the material is eventually boiled at the laboratory to dissolve debris and then centrifuged to provide a deposit that in positive cases is comparatively rich in acari. Smears of the deposit are then made on glass slides and examined microscopically. If the sample submitted be rich in acari the parasites and their ova can be demonstrated by a simple wet smearing of some of the sample and placing the slide under the microscope. For the purposes of the old Order the microscopic examination was sufficiently complete when the presence of parasites of either of the two scheduled varieties was demonstrated, as equal restrictions applied to both forms of mange; but, as already shown, it is now necessary to distinguish between them. This presents no difficulty to the trained microscopist, for each variety of acarus has constant morphological features that differ in several respects from those of all other acari. He can discern male and female, and make a sure diagnosis at any stage from the newly-hatched to the full-grown acarus. Even the ova or eggs of the parasites show some fairly reliable characters in their unhatched state as well as in the shape, size, and appearance of their two segments when hatched. This accurate knowledge of structure, apart from its bearing on the specific acari of mange is essential to the avoidance of a possible source of error, since acari other than those of mange are sometimes to be found on horses' skins, and cause some degree of irritation. Such non-specific varieties often exist in the dust of old woodwork, on flies, in stable sweepings, &c., and consequently may be present in the dust groomed from healthy horses. As showing the relative preponderance of Sarcoptic over Psoroptic cases in the 11 outbreaks that have occurred since the inauguration of the 1918 Order, 9 have proved to be Sarcoptic Mange and 2 Psoroptic Mange.

I have not as yet advised the prosecution of any owner guilty of a breach of the Mange Orders, unless the diagnosis of his case was confirmed by recovering the acari of mange from the animal's body.

It was a matter for regret that, during the first year's operation of the first Order, veterinary surgeons and owners were wont to notify some cases only after they had put them under treatment, and when I made my visit of inspection I found the patients had been so washed and covered with dressings that a microscopical diagnosis was rendered impracticable; and, because in such cases as were under the care of a veterinary surgeon, it was usually the case that he had given an opinion to the owner, basing his diagnosis entirely on clinical appearances, I considered it proper to keep faith with the practitioner and put on restrictions. In order, however, to purify our returns and avoid the inconvenience to owners that attaches to the imposition of restrictions in cases of skin disease that might be non-specific, I took the precaution, verbally and by letter, of requesting veterinary surgeons who practise in Lanarkshire to oblige me by simply telling the owners of their suspicion and of their obligation under the Order to report suspected cases.

This arrangement has been loyally carried out, and now when we meet a case that has been treated before inspection it is invariably the fault of an owner who has not sought professional advice.

Prevalence of Mange in the County Area.

When we consider the great prevalence of the disease in Great Britain as shown by the returns of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, the County of Lanark with only 102 outbreaks, in 7 years less 7½ months, may be deemed to have been comparatively free of mange.

It was only in 1916 that the disease assumed proportions that were at all alarming (44 outbreaks), and this extension was the direct result of the Order being in abeyance during part of 1914 and 1915. The paucity of outbreaks in the latter part of 1915, when the Order had been renewed, is to be attributed to the general ignorance among owners of the fact that the suspension of the Order had ceased.

The worst type of cases met with has been in the aged under-priced horse of the poorer class of owners. When the disease is encountered in good class studs they have usually been infected by a brought-in lower grade animal of unknown history that proved to be affected.

Supervision of Curative Treatment.

When the value of an animal suffering from advanced mange is small, the owner usually agrees to the slaughter of the beast on the score of economy. The curative treatment of mange is not a simple matter, and, in this district, consists of the repeated use of parasiticide dressings applied by hand which should be fatal to the parasites and not injurious to the skin. In most cases the owner is persuaded to procure the necessary materials and disinfectants from his veterinary surgeon, and we frequently get into consultation with the latter and arrange mutually the lines of treatment, &c.: but it has been our experience to meet some cases wherein the owners would not go to a veterinary surgeon, and preferred to use some long-cherished recipe for the cure of mange, which it was our duty under the Order to supervise and modify before treatment was begun. These private recipes are invariably too strong, and are mostly in the hands of men who are quick to treat and slow to report their cases. Hence it is that when called in we find the animal has already been treated, and the effect of the dressing has been to produce an acute inflammatory condition of the skin more serious than mange itself, and death has often resulted. Indeed at various times it has fallen to me to inspect at the knackery carcases of animals that had died from the effects of improper dressings, the cadaver in some cases being almost devoid of hair. Although in one or two instances we found these to have been cases of mange, the presumption is that many were not, but investigation usually revealed that the animal had shown itchiness or a heat in the skin which the owner tried to cure by a dressing quite unsuited to the skin of a live animal. When a horse affected, or suspected to be affected, with mange is treated with improper dressings and

survives he suffers acute torture for a day or two, the skin becomes baked and cracked, hair is extensively depilated, and he presents an exaggerated, though artificially produced, mangy appearance. Recovery from this eczematous condition is very slow, and many bald patches are left owing to the destruction of the hair follicles.

As a deterrent in future to the perpetrators of such outrages it would be well if a prosecution of the responsible individual were to follow on the dual charge of cruelty and failure to report the possession of an animal in need of inspection on account of a skin complaint. When a horse's skin has been baked by over-treatment before we see it, a difficult problem is presented if the microscopical examination of scrapings taken from the skin proves negative, and especially if no suspicion attaches to incontact animals. The owner's description of the animal's condition before treatment is not helpful, as he is careful to allege only a trivial heat in the skin that he tried to cure, nor is it likely that the case would have been reported at all if he had not mistaken for a quickly-spreading mange the dire results of his own handiwork.

In these circumstances, as already explained, the only safe course is to restrict the suspected animal until his skin has recovered under suitable treatment, otherwise a potential spreader of disease would have access to the public market; and we consider that the owner, though aware of the incompleteness of the diagnosis, has no reasonable ground for complaint, since it was he who created the difficulty.

Future Prospects.

It is well known that during the past 4½ years mange has proved, as in all other great wars, a great scourge to army horses—probably the mightiest scourge of all—and, but for the greater reliance which we can now place on the efficiency of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, we might expect an immediate and alarming experience of mange (as well as of other contagious diseases that so readily assume epizootic proportions in the army) among civilian horses, through the sale and dispersal of so many thousands of army units.

The measures adopted by the R.A.V.C. will, no doubt, be as complete as it is humanly possible to make them to safeguard civilian interests. But when we consider how many horses, sold and to be sold, have been affected with sarcoptic mange, and recall the burrowing habits of the sarcopts and the difficulty of being sure that all have been killed, it is easy to imagine the escape of one or more ovigerous females, their subsequent multiplication, and the renewal of symptoms of the disease.

This possible risk can only be met by purchasers of army horses making use of a preventive dressing every week for two months or longer.

TABLE I.

Showing Seasonal Incidence and Number of Outbreaks in each Year.

	1st Quarter.	2nd Quarter.	3rd Quarter.	4th Quarter.	Yearly Total.
1912, ...	7	1	1	3	12
1913, ...	3	2	2	1	8
1914, ...	2	1	—	—	3
1915, ...	—	2	0	0	2
1916, ...	15	13	8	8	44
1917, ...	8	5	4	1	18
1918, ...	5	6	2	2	15
Totals, ...	40	30	17	15	102

From the above Table it will be seen that outbreaks of mange are most prevalent during cold weather. This is equally true of other parasitic infections of the skin, *e.g.*, sheep scab, lice, &c. Their partial disappearance during summer is no doubt due to the greater activity of the skin in warm weather, the shorter coat of hair, and the greater freedom that many horses have from close cohabitation. Note also, from the yearly totals, the effect of the operation of the Order in producing the initial decline until the Order was suspended in 1914-1915, and the subsequent decline in the last three years from the high total of 1916, which was due to the absence of control over the disease in the preceding period of abeyance of the Order.

TABLE II.

Showing Topical Distribution of Outbreaks.

In Upper Ward, ...	12	outbreaks.
,, Middle Ward, ...	41	,,
,, Lower Ward, ...	18	,,
Burgh of Coatbridge, ...	14	,,
,, Lanark, ...	8	,,
,, Motherwell, ...	2	,,
,, Rutherglen, ...	—	,,
,, Wishaw, ...	7	,,
Total,	102	,,

TABLE III.

Showing Number of Animals per Outbreak.

			Total.	
In 74 outbreaks, disease was confined to 1 animal,	...	=	74	animals.
,, 12 ,, ,, ,, 2 animals,	...	=	24	,,
,, 10 ,, ,, ,, 3 ,,	...	=	30	,,
,, 3 ,, ,, ,, 4 ,,	...	=	12	,,
,, 1 outbreak, ,, ,, 5 ,,	...	=	5	,,
,, 1 ,, ,, ,, 6 ,,	...	=	6	,,
,, 1 ,, ,, ,, 9 ,,	...	=	9	,,
Total, 102 Outbreaks.	Total animals affected,		160	,,

Average (roughly), 1·57 animals per outbreak.

TABLE IV.

Disposal of Cases (160).

In 4 cases the disease was found in carcases.
,, 3 cases the animals died when under treatment.
,, 17 cases the animals were slaughtered.
,, 136 cases the animals were cured and discharged.

Total, 160 cases. Percentage recovery in treated cases, 87·18 %.

The average duration of the period of restriction in outbreaks wherein the animals were treated and cured was 46 days, the minimum being 14 days and the maximum 135 days.

PROSECUTIONS.

12 prosecutions resulted in 12 convictions, as follows, viz.:—

2	owners were	fined in	£1	0s.	each,	...	...	=	£2 0 0
5	do.	do.	1	10s.	,,	...	...	=	7 10 0
1	owner was	do.	2	10s.	,,	...	...	=	2 10 0
2	owners were	do.	5	0s.	,,	...	...	=	10 0 0
1	owner was	do.	10	0s.	,,	...	...	=	10 0 0
1	do.	do,	12	10s.	,,	...	...	=	12 10 0
12							Total fines,		£44 10 0

Average fine, £3 14s. 2d.

NOTE.—In only one instance did the case go to proof.

NEGATIVE CASES.

The inspection and investigation of upwards of 100 cases of suspected animals that proved to be negative entailed a considerable amount of work. Moreover, the microscopical examination of samples that prove negative is inherently more tedious than that of positive samples.

I take this opportunity of acknowledging the very helpful, efficient, and tactful manner in which the Police Inspectors under the C.D.A. Acts (Chief Constable M'Donald, of Coatbridge, and the Superintendents of the County Police) and their subordinates have at all times performed the duties that fell to them under these Orders.

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

18*th February*, 1919.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT.
COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 17*th February*, 1919.

Contagious Abortion and Sterility in Bovines.

SIR,

I have to report that, notwithstanding the instructions given to owners of animals vaccinated for the prevention of abortion, the returns they should send in have been arriving very slowly, and in most cases only after a written request has been sent from my department. The results to hand are very promising, and indicate that the vaccine manufactured at the laboratory of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries is an agent of undoubted utility in staying the disease in an infected herd, but I have not yet collected sufficient evidence to justify the issue of an extended report.

It is very apparent, however, from letters received, that some stock owners have falsely concluded that the disease "Sterility" (turning to the bull) is closely related to "Epizootic Abortion."

In some cases they have thought the occurrence of this troublesome affection was the direct result of the use of abortion vaccine in their herds; while conversely, others, having had experience of "Sterility" in their herds for a year or two before resorting to vaccination for abortion, regard the abortion vaccine as an absolute cure for "Sterility"

As both conclusions are false and untenable I have thought fit to discuss these questions shortly.

"Infectious Sterility" and "Contagious Abortion" of bovines are quite distinct diseases and not interdependent. Either disease may exist in a herd without the other, though in a certain percentage of cases, they are found to be coexistent, and this has led to confusion of ideas. Our knowledge of the bacteriology of contagious abortion is more advanced than in the case of sterility; but the clinical characters, the progress and final results, in a herd, of both diseases are equally well known. The two diseases are similar in this respect, that both reach the point of exhaustion in two or three years if no new animals are introduced, because an attack of either disease confers a more or less efficient degree of immunity to subsequent infection from the same disease.

If, in the isolated cases referred to, in which the disease coexists in the same herd, it happens that abortion has appeared first and the animals have been vaccinated, the later appearance of sterility, or turning to the bull, through the casual introduction of this separate infection is liable to be attributed wrongfully to the use of the vaccine.

On the other hand when sterility has existed to some extent in a herd for a year or more before the infection of abortion has been introduced, the immunity of the herd to sterility is nearing completion before vaccination for the prevention of abortion is requested, and the subsequent satisfactory settling of the members of the herd to the "first service" is apt to be as erroneously credited to the use of the vaccine.

Sterility (non-infectious) may and often does occur in animals that have aborted and thereafter suffered from untoward sequelæ that have prejudiced the physiological functions of the generative organs but such sporadic cases are not to be confused with the infectious disease. Moreover, the animal that suffers from protracted uterine disease after parturition, whether the act occurs too early or at the end of the full period of gestation, is likely to fail to conceive.

The existence of "Infectious Sterility" is to be suspected in a herd when several animals have "turned" to a bull of known potency, and owners should seek the advice of their veterinary surgeons, who will be able to supply them with effective antiseptic pessaries.

I trust the above information will enable the members of my committee to meet any adverse criticism they may encounter as to the use of vaccine in herds that have the double infection.

Yours faithfully,

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

SIR THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT,
COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 17*th February*, 1919.

VACCINATION OF HERDS.

Report No. (6).

SIR,

I have to submit the following further Statistics *re* the Vaccination of Herds for the Prevention of Abortion:—

New applications, 8—Total to February 15th, 1919, 64.
„ herds treated, 8— „ „ „ 64.

Number of Animals immunized up to and including February 15th, 1919:—

In Upper Ward, ...	698	Animals.
„ Middle „	755	„
„ Lower „	50	„
Total, ...	1,503	Animals.

Yours faithfully,

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

SIR THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk.

APPENDIX IV.

Excerpt from "The Edinburgh Gazette" of Tuesday, January 28, 1919.

THE WART DISEASE OF POTATOES (SCOTLAND) ORDER OF 1918.

CERTIFICATION OF INFECTED AREAS.

(1) THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE FOR SCOTLAND, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, and for the purposes of Article 2 (1) of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1918, hereby certify that as from the 1st February, 1919, the areas described in the Schedule annexed hereto shall, unless and until the Board otherwise certify, be infected areas for the purposes of the said Order: Provided that the provisions of the said Order so far as they relate to infected areas shall not apply to holdings exceeding half an acre in extent situated in the areas described in the said Schedule except—

(*a*) Holdings exceeding half an acre in extent or parts of them to which, because of an outbreak of Wart Disease or for any other reason, the aforesaid provisions already apply; or

(*b*) Holdings exceeding half an acre in extent or parts of them which may, subsequent to the date of this Certificate, be found to be infected with Wart Disease or to which, in the opinion of an Inspector, Wart Disease is likely to spread, and in respect of which a notice applying the provisions of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1918 may be served by an Inspector of the Board or of the Local Authority.

(2) In this Certificate the terms "Inspector," "The Board," "The Local Authority," "Holdings," and "Wart Disease" shall have the same respective meanings as in the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1918.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture for Scotland have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-eighth day of January nineteen hundred and nineteen.

CHAS. WEATHERILL,
Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

DESCRIPTION OF INFECTED AREAS.

(1) An area comprising the civil parishes of Cadder, Glasgow (Landward), Rutherglen, Blantyre, Bothwell, Cambuslang, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Dalzell, Hamilton (Landward), New Monkland (Landward), Old Monkland, and Shotts, all in the Administrative County of Lanark and the Municipal Burghs of Rutherglen, Airdrie, Coatbridge, and Hamilton.

(2) An area comprising the civil parishes of Dunning, Auchterarder, Glendevon, and Muckart in the Administrative County of Perth.

(3) An area comprising the civil parishes of Callander, Port of Menteith, Kilmadock, Kincardine, Dunblane, Ardoch, Muthill, and Crieff, in the Administrative County of Perth.

(4) An area comprising the civil parishes of Scone, Aberdalgie, and Perth (Landward) in the Administrative County of Perth and the Municipal Burgh of Perth.

Synopsis of Information received from other Local Authorities.

County.	Amount of Retaining Fee.	Fee for each Analysis.	Fee for Attendance at Court.	Any other Allowances.	What increase, if any, has been granted in respect of increased cost of living, &c. ?
ABERDEEN, ...	Salary, £175 per annum; samples not to exceed 250.	—	£1 1s. if in Aberdeen, and £2 2s. and travelling expenses if elsewhere.	Printing, postages, &c., allowed.	From 15th May, 1917, a war bonus of £62 10s. granted.
ARGYLL, ...	£2 2s.	7s. 6d., partial; 10s., full.	—	Sender pays 2s. 6d. each sample.	—
AYR, ...	£25	5s., partial; 10s., full.	10s. 6d. per hour; maximum, £2 2s. per day (plus travelling expenses).	—	—
DUMFRIES, ...	—	10s., full.	—	Analyst provided with laboratory accommodation, &c.	The fee was increased by 5s. to 10s. at 1st April, 1915.
DUNBARTON, ...	—	7s. 6d., partial; 10s., full.	—	—	—
FIFE, ...	—	10s. 6d., less 5% discount for less than 200 samples, and 7½% for over 200.	—	—	—
LANARK, ...	£20	7s. 6d., partial; 15s., full.	—	—	—
MIDLOTHIAN, ...	£10 10s.	10s., partial; £1, full; one-half payable by C.C., and one-half by applicant.	—	—	—
PERTH, ...	—	17s. 6d. per sample.	No special fee.	—	—
RENFREW, ...	—	10s. 6d.	10s. 6d. per hour; maximum, £2 2s. per day (plus travelling expenses).	Quarterly Report, 5s., and duplicate Report, 1s.	—
STIRLING, ...	£2 2s.	10s. 6d., full.	10s. 6d. per hour; maximum per day, £1 11s. 6d.	—	—

APPENDIX VI.

WILD BIRD, SCOTLAND.

THE WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (COUNTY OF LANARK) ORDER, 1917.
DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1917.

Whereas the Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order, 1914, will expire on the twenty-eighth day of February, 1917:

And whereas it is expedient to renew the said Order:

Now therefore, I, the undersigned, His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland in pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the County Council of the County of Lanark, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order shall apply within the County of Lanark.

2. The "Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880," shall apply to the following Wild Birds, as if they had been included in the Schedule to the said Act, viz.:—

Bullfinch	Jay	Quail
Buzzard	Kestrel	Raven
Crossbill	Martin	Sand Martin
Dipper	Merlin	Siskin
Duck, Tufted	Osprey	Swallow
Hawfinch	Peregrine-Falcon	Swift

3. The taking or killing of any of the following Wild Birds is hereby prohibited throughout the whole year, viz.:—

Buzzard	Kestrel	Owl, Short-eared
Chough	Kingfisher	Owl, Tawny
Dotterel	Osprey	Peregrine-Falcon
Goldfinch	Owl, Barn	Woodpecker, Great Spotted
Grebe, Great-crested	Owl, Long-eared	

4. The taking or killing of any Wild Bird and the taking or destroying of the eggs of any Wild Bird are hereby prohibited on all Sundays throughout the whole year.

5. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the following Wild Birds is prohibited, viz.:—

Bullfinch	Mallard	Sand Martin
Buzzard	Martin	Shoveller
Chough	Merlin	Siskin
Crossbill	Nightjar	Skylark
Dipper	Osprey	Snipe
Dotterel	Owl, Barn	Swallow
Duck, Eider	Owl, Long-eared	Swift
Duck, Sheld	Owl, Short-eared	Teal
Duck, Tufted	Owl, Tawny	Tern, Common
Goldfinch	Oyster-Catcher	Tern, Little
Grebe, Great-crested	Peregrine-Falcon	Tern, Sandwich
Gull, Common	Plover, Golden	Wigeon
Hawfinch	Plover, Ringed	Woodcock
Jay	Pochard	Woodpecker, Great Spotted
Kestrel	Quail	
Kingfisher	Raven	

6. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the Lapwing is hereby prohibited after the fifteenth day of April in each year.

7 This Order which may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order, 1917," shall remain in force until the twenty-eighth day of February, 1920.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Whitehall this 16th day of February, 1917.

L.S.) (Sd.) ROBERT MUNRO,
His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 26th February, 1919.

Present—

John A. Beattie.
John Campbell.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks
William Templeton

Attending—

Andrew Mitchell, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting. — Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th September, 1918, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting, and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

There were submitted reports by the Chief Inspector for the months of September, October, November, December, and January (Appendiees I, II, III, IV, and V), copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. — Reports by Chief Inspector.

The meeting having gone over the list of the Inspectors' salaries, the Inspectors' Assistants' wages, and the Inspectors' expenses, all as set forth in the Appendices, the same were passed for payment.

Under reference to the Chief Inspector's Report for the month of January, the Clerk stated that the lease of the Chief Inspector's office at 3 Hamilton Road, Cambuslang, was for a period of ten years, as from Whitsunday, 1914, at a rental of £27 per annum, with a break, in the option of the County Council, at the end of five years. The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the lease be allowed to run its full period. — Lease of premises at 3 Hamilton Road, Cambuslang.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the renewal of the agreements with the Town Councils of Rutherglen and Lanark for the — Agreements with Burghs of Rutherglen and Lanark for administration of Acts with these Burghs.

administration of the Weights and Measures Acts within the respective Burghs, the Clerk reminded the meeting that the agreements with these Burghs had been entered into several years ago, and that, in view of the extra work now to be performed, and the increase in the cost of the administration of the Acts, the terms of the agreement would fall to be reconsidered.

The meeting, after consideration, remitted to the Clerk to consult with the Town-Clerks of the Burghs concerned, with a view to adjusting a new agreement.

Inspector's annual report.—Alteration of date.

The meeting concurred in the proposal of the Chief Inspector to alter the date of making his annual report from 31st March to 15th May.

Increase of war bonus to Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

There having been submitted applications by Inspectors Chrystal and Paterson for an increase of salary, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that the war bonus payable to the Chief Inspector and Inspectors Chrystal and Paterson be increased from £35 to £45 per annum—the increase to take effect as from 15th current.

Increase of war bonus to Assistants of Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

The meeting, after consideration, also agreed that the war bonus payable to each of the Assistants (four in number) of the Inspectors of Weights and Measures be increased from 10s. to 12s. 6d. per week—the increase to take effect as from 15th current.

Reverification of standard weights and measures.

The Clerk stated that the standard weights and measures of this and other Local Authorities had recently been verified at Edinburgh by the Board of Trade, and he submitted a note showing the proportion of the expenses payable by this Local Authority, amounting to £17 18s. 2d., payment of which the meeting authorised.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE,
3 HAMILTON ROAD,
CAMBUSLANG, 17*th October*, 1918.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of September (Appendix I). Summary of Inspectors' Reports.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—Carmyle, Motherwell, and Larkhall. 2,762 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees amounting to £48 2s. 2½d. were paid over to the County Treasurer. Verification work.

Surprise visits were paid to 140 traders in Baillieston, Uddingston, Bothwell, and Stonehouse. 2,268 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were examined. Of that number, 2,185 were found correct and 83 incorrect. In 19 shops 35 parcels and packets of goods, which were made up or exposed for sale, were weighed or measured; of that number, 30 were found correct weight, 4 in excess of the weight represented, and 1 slightly deficient in the weight represented. A grocer in Stonehouse was reported to the Procurator-Fiscal at Hamilton for an unjust scale beam, being 1 oz. off balance against purchaser, caused by a piece of fat ham adhering to under side of plate. At Hamilton J.P. Court, on the 28th ultimo, he pled guilty, and was fined £5. Accused's scale was forfeited. Surprise visits to traders.

The case pending at date of last report against a dairyman in Bellshill for using an unjust measure was disposed of at Hamilton J.P. Court on the 23rd ultimo. The accused pled guilty, and was fined 40s. Prosecution.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 300 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops. Of that number, 280 were correct weight, 15 were in excess of the weight represented, 5 slightly deficient in the weight represented. Bread Order.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the Caledonian Railway Company, Mossend; Thomas Barr's Trust, Bog Colliery, Larkhall; Etna Iron & Steel Company, Craigneuk; David Caldwell & Sons, Clydebridge Steel Works, Cambuslang; Stewarts & Lloyds' Tube Works, Carmyle; James Allan, Senior, & Sons, Lambhill; and the United Collieries, Limited, Baillieston. Fixed weighbridges.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped. Tables.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II). Statement of Inspectors' salaries.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

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APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	322	15	8	12	262	4	14	262	2	4	—	3
,, 2,	1,026	34	—	3	954	4	23	954	4	4	—	4
,, 3,	1,414	40	6	64	1,191	81	18	1,191	53	8	2	4
	2,762	89	14	79	2,407	89	55	2,407	59	16	2	11

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	35	428	347	18	47	10	2	4
,, 2,	104	1,821	1,384	164	207	21	19	26
,, 3,	1	19	12	4	3	—	—	1
	140	2,268	1,743	186	257	31	21	31

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	4	2	11	4	0	1	8	3	0
,, 2,	8	18	8	9	10	7	18	9	3
,, 3,	7	2	0½	14	7	11	21	9	11½
	20	3	7½	27	18	7	48	2	2½

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th November, 1918.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 75/-), ...	£20 8 4		
Inspector Chrystal	(„ 75/-), ...	17 10 0		
Inspector Paterson	(„ 75/-), ...	17 10 0		
			£55	8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 12th October.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 80/-), ...	£15 8 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(„ 40/-), ...	8 16 0		
Inspector Paterson	(„ 40/-), ...	6 12 0		
			30	16 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th October.

Chief Inspector, ...		£6 14 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...		1 13 5		
Inspector Paterson, ...		6 13 8		
			15	1 1

Carting Standard Weights to Pits, &c.

Mrs. James Hamilton, Cambuslang, ...			4	12 0
Total, ...			£105	17 5

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
3 Hamilton Road,
Cambuslang, 18*th November*, 1918.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

Summary of Inspectors' reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of October (Appendix I).

Weighing machines.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged testing the weighing machines at the collieries, coal depots, &c. 307 visits were paid to pits, coal depots, &c. The weighing machines for determining the wages of the miners were found to be in good working order. The weighbridges at the coal depots were found to be correct, and the weighbridges at Lanark and Strathaven Auction Marts were also found to be accurate and in good working order. The inspections were made in Old Monkland, Cadder, Shotts, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Blantyre, Bothwell, Lesmahagow, and Rutherglen Parishes.

Verification work.

During the month 741 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £31 16s. 8d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

I have to report having received from the Board of Trade (Standards Department). London, after re-verification, nine sets of inspectors' scale beams.

Fixed weighbridges.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for Messrs. David Colville & Sons, Clydebridge Steel Works, Cambuslang: Arnott & Young, Scrap Iron Merchants, Carmyle; William Muirhead & Co., Mount Vernon Steel Works, Shettleston; and Thomas Barr's Trust, Home Farm Colliery, Larkhall.

Tables.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped.

Statement of Inspectors' salaries, &c.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	570	28	15	10	459	10	34	459	4	6	2	6
,, 2,	108	—	—	—	93	—	15	93	—	—	—	—
,, 3,	63	—	—	—	—	12	49	—	—	—	—	2
	741	28	15	10	552	22	98	552	4	6	2	8

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	9 15 10	4 11 5	14 7 3
,, 2,	3 11 1	1 7 2	4 18 3
,, 3,	12 11 2	—	12 11 2
	25 18 1	5 18 7	31 16 8

Inspections under the Coal Mines Act, 1887.

District.	Tested.		Found Correct.		Incorrect or Requiring Attention.	
	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.
No. 1,	51	12	50	12	1	—
,, 2,	83	66	74	51	9	15
,, 3,	68	27	65	25	3	2
	202	105	189	88	13	17

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th December.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus, 58s. 4d.), ...	£19 11 8		
Inspector Chrystal (,, 58s. 4d.), ...	16 13 4		
Inspector Paterson (,, 58s. 4d.), ...	16 13 4		
		£52 18 4	

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 9th November.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus, 80s.), ...	£15 8 0		
Inspector Chrystal (,, 40s.), ...	8 16 0		
Inspector Paterson (,, 40s.), ...	6 12 0		
		30 16 0	

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th November.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 0 4		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	4 3 5		
Inspector Paterson, ...	9 1 6		
		19 5 3	

Carting Standard Weights to Pits, &c.

Kerr Brothers, Motherwell, ...	£3 2 6		
Charles G. Wilson, Coalburn, ...	2 16 0		
John Moore, Overtown, ...	9 2 0		
		15 0 6	

De Grave, Short, & Co., Ltd., London.

Repairing 3 sets of 56, 7, and 1 lb. Beam Scales, resetting knife-edges and bearings, and obtaining re-verification by the Board of Trade, ...	£34 0 0		
Board of Trade fees, ...	2 5 0		
Carriage to and from London, ...	2 0 0	38 5 0	
Total, ...		£156 5 1	

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
3 Hamilton Road,
Cambuslang, 17*th December* 1918.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of November (Appendix I). Summary of Inspectors' reports.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged testing the weighing machines at the collieries, coal depots, &c. 88 visits were paid to pits, coal depots, &c. The weighing machines for determining the wages of the miners were found to be in good working order. Weighing machines at collieries.

The weighbridges at the coal depots were found to be accurate and in good working order. Weighbridges.

The Inspections were made in Blantyre, Bothwell, New Monkland, Douglas, Lesmahagow, and Carluke Parishes.

During the month 2,374 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification at the following centres:—Blantyre, Motherwell, and Wishaw. Fees, amounting to £42 19s. 3d., were paid over to the County Treasurer. Verification work.

Surprise visits were paid to 114 traders in Newarthill, Forth, Tarbrax, Carnwath, and Baillieston. 307 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were examined. Of that number 290 were found correct, and 17 slightly incorrect. Surprise visits to traders.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 140 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops. Of that number 2 were slightly deficient in the weight represented. Bread Order.

Under the Milk Order, 1918, milk in dairies and vans, and milk in course of being delivered to private houses, was measured, and found correct in every instance. Milk Order.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for Messrs. D. Harvie & Company, Clydebank Works, Rutherglen; Mr. Robert Spittal, Kenmuir Sand Quarry, Mount Vernon; James Johnston & Sons, Carmyle Station; William Dixon, Limited, Wilsontown Colliery, Wilsontown; and the Coltness Iron Company, Limited, Climpy Colliery. Fixed weighbridges.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II). Statement of salaries of Inspectors.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1, ...	1,194	61	30	28	1,013	10	33	1,013	—	12	3	4
„ 2, ...	631	35	16	8	533	10	18	533	3	4	1	6
„ 3, ...	549	7	—	7	490	16	25	490	10	2	—	2
	2,374	103	46	43	2,036	36	76	2,036	13	18	4	12

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	18	37	21	8	8	—	—	—
„ 2,	48	48	—	—	39	—	—	9
„ 3,	48	222	150	6	58	4	2	2
	114	307	171	14	105	4	2	11

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1, ...	£6 15 5½	£10 18 8	£17 14 1½
„ 2, ...	5 9 7	6 9 9	11 19 4
„ 3, ...	6 3 3½	7 2 6	13 5 9½
Total,	£18 8 4	£24 10 11	£42 19 3

Inspections under the Coal Mines Act, 1887.

District.	Tested.		Found Correct.		Incorrect or Requiring Attention.	
	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.	Pit Bank Machines.	Cart and Waggon Machines.
No. 1, ...	4	3	4	2	—	1
„ 2, ...	30	18	24	15	6	3
„ 3, ...	25	11	22	10	3	1
	59	32	50	27	9	5

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29th February, 1919.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th January.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus, 58s. 4d.), ...	£19 11 8		
Inspector Chrystal („ 58s. 4d.), ...	16 13 4		
Inspector Paterson, („ 58s. 4d.), ...	16 13 4		
		£52	18 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th December.

Chief Inspector (War Bonus, 100s.), ...	£19 5 0		
Inspector Chrystal („ 50s.), ...	11 0 0		
Inspector Paterson („ 50s.), ...	8 5 0		
		38	10 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th December.

Chief Inspector, ...	£10 2 6		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1 14 3		
Inspector Paterson, ...	2 0 2		
		13	16 11

Carting Standard Weights to Pits, &c.

John Sommerville, Airdrie, ...		3	0 0
Total, ...		£108	5 3

APPENDIX V.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE,
3 HAMILTON ROAD,
CAMBUSLANG, *17th January*, 1919.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

Summary of Inspectors' reports.

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of December (Appendix I).

Verification work.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping weights, measures, and weighing instruments at the following centres:—Motherwell and Wishaw. 2,765 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees, amounting to £53 11s. 10d., were paid over to the County Treasurer.

Surprise visits to traders.

Surprise visits were paid to 162 traders in Newton, Flemington, Cambuslang, and Cleland. 1,618 weights, measures, and weighing instruments were examined. Of that number, 1,589 were found correct and 29 incorrect. In 53 shops, 349 parcels and packets of goods, which were made up or exposed for sale, were weighed or measured. Of that number, 321 were found correct weight, and 28 deficient in the weight represented. A grocer at Cleland was reported to the Procurator-Fiscal at Hamilton, for having made up or exposed for sale 17 2-oz. parcels of tobacco deficient in the weight represented from 1 to 7½ drams. The case is pending.

Bread Order.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 403 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops. 389 were correct weight, and 14 in excess of the weight represented.

Weighbridges

Under the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Act, 1887, the weighbridges at Biggar and Wishaw Auction Marts were tested and found correct.

Under the arrangement with the Town Council of Hamilton, I was engaged in Hamilton during the first two weeks of the month at verification work. Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the Caledonian Railway Company; Messrs. David Colville & Son, Dalzell Steel Works, Motherwell; James Calder & Company, Gartloch Distillery, Garnkirk; and James Nimmo & Company, Broomfield Colliery, Netherburn.

Tables.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of the weights and measures adjusted and stamped and weighing instruments stamped.

Statement of salaries of Inspectors, &c.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II).

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1918.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	88	—	—	—	80	—	8	80	—	—	—	—
„ 2,	1,926	164	27	31	1,624	7	42	1,624	7	19	4	8
„ 3,	751	9	18	39	630	15	22	630	8	11	3	4
	2,765	173	45	70	2,334	22	72	2,334	15	30	7	12

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	136	1,231	978	194	38	7	4	10
„ 2,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ 3,	26	387	306	20	53	5	—	3
	162	1,618	1,284	214	91	12	4	13

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1.	£4 17 4	£2 0 0	£6 17 4
„ 2.	10 5 6½	16 11 6	26 17 0½
„ 3.	12 0 10½	7 16 7	19 17 5½
	£27 3 9	£26 8 1	£53 11 10

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STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th February.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 58s. 4d.),	£19 11 8		
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 58s. 4d.),	16 13 4		
Inspector Paterson	(,, 58s 4d.),	16 13 4		
			£52 18 4	

Inspectors Assistants' Wages to 11th January.

Chief Inspector, ...	(War Bonus, 80s.),	£15 8 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	(,, 40s.),	8 16 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	(,, 40s.),	6 12 0		
			30 16 0	

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th January.

Chief Inspector, ...		£8 2 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...		5 15 7½		
Inspector Paterson, ...		5 12 0		
			19 9 7½	
Total, ...			£103 3 11½	

APPENDIX V.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE.
3 HAMILTON ROAD,
CAMBUSLANG, 17*th February*, 1919.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of January (Appendix I). — Summary of Inspectors' reports.

During the month the Inspectors were engaged verifying, adjusting, and stamping Weights, Measures, and Weighing Instruments at the following centres:—Bishopbriggs, Lambhill, Motherwell, and Wishaw. 3,554 Weights, Measures, and Weighing Instruments were submitted for verification, and stamping fees amounting to £64 8s. 2½d. were paid over to the County Treasurer. — Verification work.

Surprise visits were paid to 205 traders in Strathaven, Glasford, Quarter, Bellshill, Uddingston, Bothwell, and Cambuslang. 3,499 Weights, Measures, and Weighing Instruments were examined. Of that number 3,347 were found correct, and 152 incorrect. In 49 shops 112 parcels and packets of goods, which were made up or exposed for sale, were weighed or measured. Of that number 102 were found correct weight, 3 in excess of the weight represented, and 7 slightly deficient in the weight represented. — Surprise visits to traders.

Under the Bread Order, 1918, 145 loaves were weighed in bakers' premises and sale shops. Of that number 138 were correct weight, and 7 slightly deficient in the weight represented. — Bread Order, 1918.

The lease of office, No. 3 Hamilton Road, Cambuslang, expires at Whitsunday term. I have ascertained from the proprietor that he is willing to grant a new lease for 5 years on the same terms. — Expiry of lease of office at Cambuslang.

The Rutherglen and Lanark Town Councils pay respectively £12 and £10 per annum for the services of the Inspector. The renewal of the agreement falls to be made on the 1st of March, and, as the payments referred to do not meet the cost of verification, they will fall to be reconsidered. — Agreement with Burghs of Rutherglen and Lanark for services of Inspector.

The annual report of the Weights and Measures Department ends on the 31st of March. It is proposed to alter the date to 15th May, and the Board of Trade have no objection to the alteration. — Annual report.

Fixed weighbridges were verified and stamped for the Caledonian Railway Company at Wishaw and Overtown Stations; Messrs. David Colville & Sons, Limited, Clydebridge Steel Works, Cambuslang; and the Glasgow Varnish and Paint Company, Rutherglen. — Fixed weighbridges.

I would respectfully refer you to the annexed tables, showing the number and description of weights and measures adjusted and stamped, and weighing instruments stamped. — Tables.

I submit a statement of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses (Appendix II). — Statement of Inspectors' salaries, &c.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st JANUARY, 1919.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	1,028	45	16	21	888	14	25	888	7	10	4	5
,, 2,	1,142	86	33	16	969	4	14	969	4	10	2	8
,, 3,	1,384	42	8	37	1,260	12	14	1,260	3	8	—	3
	3,554	173	57	74	3,117	30	53	3,117	14	28	6	16

Out-Door Inspection.

Distriet.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	23	184	125	16	35	5	1	2
,, 2,	182	3,315	2,224	614	333	76	16	52
	205	3,499	2,349	630	368	81	17	54

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	6 15 5	10 18 1	17 13 6
,, 2,	7 14 9	14 10 2	22 4 11
,, 3,	8 13 5½	15 16 4	24 9 9½
	23 3 7½	41 4 7	64 8 2½

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th March.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 58s. 4d), ...	£19 11 8		
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 58s. 4d), ...	16 13 4		
Inspector Paterson	(,, 58s. 4d), ...	16 13 4		
			£52 18 4	

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 15th February.

Chief Inspector	(War Bonus, 100s.), ...	£19 5 0		
Inspector Chrystal	(,, 50s.), ...	11 0 0		
Inspector Paterson	(,, 50s.), ...	8 5 0		
			38 10 0	

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th February.

Chief Inspector, ...		£9 6 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...		5 5 5		
Inspector Paterson, ...		1 1 0		
			15 12 5	
	Total, ...		£107 0 9	

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton, *29th April, 1919.*

Sir.

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, *on Thursday, 8th proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon*, for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards, so far as these fall to be then appointed.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancy in the Carnwath Electoral Division, caused by the death of Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.

A print of the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council held on 5th March, 1919, is sent herewith.

Prints of Minutes of Committees and of Reports, &c., will be sent to you before the date of Meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

P.S.—A Meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County, which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY HALL, LANARK,

On THURSDAY, 8th MAY, 1919,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council, held on 5th March, 1919.

5. If so resolved, fill the vacancy in Carnwath Electoral Division caused by the death of Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.

6. Report of County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for quarter ending 31st March, 1919.

7. Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for quarter ending 31st March, 1919.

8. Return of Expenses of Deputations, &c., for 1918.

9. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

   (1) Food Control Committee, of date 10th February, 1919 (page 1).

   Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes, of date 10th February, 1919 (page 3).

   Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 10th February. 1919 (page 4).

   (The above Minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees are submitted only for the information of the Council.)

(2) Fire Brigades Committee, of date 5th March, 1919 (page 7).

(3) Finance Committee, of dates 5th March (page 11), and 2nd April, 1919 (page 22).

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £750 for the construction of new sewer at Watson Street, Blantyre, within Blantyre Special Drainage District.

(*b*) £600, being one-third of cost of the construction of a new highway between housing feu at Wellshot and the Glasgow Road, Cambuslang.

(4) Local Central Committee on War Savings, of date 2nd April, 1919 (page 27).

(5) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 10th March (page 29), and 2nd April, 1919 (page 32).

(6) Joint Meeting of Parliamentary Bills Committee and Sub-Committee on Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, of date 30th April, 1919 (page 38).

(7) Public Health Committee, of date 2nd April, 1919 (page 51).

(8) Joint Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 2nd April, 1919 (page 53).

(9) Sub-Committee on Reconstruction. of date 2nd April, 1919 (page 57).

(10) County Road Board, of date 30th April, 1919 (page 85).

(11) General Purposes Committee, of date 30th April, 1919 (page 89).

(12) Joint Bridges Committee, of date 28th February, 1918, and Sub-Committee of date 27th May, 1918.

10. Appoint the following Committees, &c. :—

(1) Quota (not exceeding seven) of Standing Joint Committee.

(2) Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

(3) Finance Committee.

(4) Valuation Committee for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards.

(The Committees appointed will be asked to appoint their chairman and fix their first meeting.)

(5) Committee on Lanark Court Houses and County Buildings.

(6) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses and County Buildings.

(7) The County's quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission.

(8) Committee on Parliamentary Bills.

(9) Committee on Fire Brigades.

(10) Committees under the Explosives Act.

(11) Committee on Weights and Measures.

(12) Public Health Committee.

(13) Committee on Special Districts, &c.

(14) Committees on Appeals against Rates.

(15) Quota of Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destruction Works.

(16) Committee on Electric Lighting Orders.

(17) General Purposes Committee.

(18) The Council's quota of the National Health Insurance Committee for the County.

(19) Elections Committee.

(20) Local Pensions Committee and Appeal Committee under Old Age Pensions Acts.

(21) Committee on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., Acts.

(22) Business Committee.

(23) Any other Committees whose remits have not been exhausted.

11. Communication from Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic), dated 11th April, 1919, transmitting copies of an amending Order made by the Board for the Scotland (West Central) area.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th March, 1919, being a General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 5th March, 1919.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
John A. Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
William Gardner.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
Gilbert Hamilton.
John Hurll.
W. K. Jackson.
Alex. A. Keith.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
John Train.
William Wilson.
T. H. Paterson.
John M. Loudon.
William L. Dyer.
Dr. Robertson.
W. A. Thomson.

Sir Robert King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. Chairman.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. John Adam, Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O., and Mr. James Tonner, M.B.E. Apologies for absence.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES.
HAMILTON, *24th February, 1919.*

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a GENERAL MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL, to be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 49 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 5th proximo, at Two o'clock afternoon*, for the purpose of considering and disposing of Reports and Minutes of Committees, of which copies will be sent to you before the date of meeting, and for transacting any other competent business.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

A print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 11th December, 1918, is sent herewith.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. William L. Dyer, countersigned by Mr. William B. Thomson:—"That a Committee be appointed to consider whether, having regard to efficiency and economy of administration, any alteration can and should be made upon the system set up by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, under which the County of Lanark is presently administered, and to report."

Minutes of meeting.

The minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 11th December, 1918, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Sir Thomas Munro appointed Chairman of National Industrial Joint-Committee.

The Convener stated that, as most of the members of the Council were aware, Sir Thomas Munro (their Clerk) had been appointed by the Government Chairman of the National Industrial Joint-Committee, which had been set up at the recent Conference held in connection with industrial unrest, and that the committee began its sittings in London on 4th March. Sir Thomas had immediately consulted him as to whether he should accede to the request of the Government, and he had stated that he considered it was Sir Thomas's duty to do so.

The Convener read a letter from Sir Thomas stating that, in view of an urgent telegraphic request that had reached him, to which he had had to give an immediate reply, it had thus been impossible for him to submit the matter to a meeting of the Council, as he would otherwise have done. Sir Thomas further stated that the work of the committee should not occupy more than a month, as they had to submit the report with the least possible delay, and that he would be able so to arrange the procedure as to permit of his returning to Lanarkshire from time to time during the month. He trusted the Council would approve of his action in agreeing to the request of the Government. The meeting unanimously approved.

Letter from Colonel Buchanan, M.P., expressing desire to resign his position as a member of the County Council.

The Convener read a letter from Colonel Buchanan, M.P., Vice-Convener of the County, expressing a desire to resign his position as a member of the County Council, now that he had been returned to Parliament. He also conveyed to the members of the Council his warmest thanks for the kindness and friendship shown him since his appointment to the Council. On the suggestion of the Convener, the meeting, after discussion, unanimously agreed that Colonel Buchanan be asked to retain his position on the County Council until the Election, which, in the ordinary course, would now take place at the end of the present year.

Letters from Mr. Keith and Mr. Paterson, each intimating acceptance of office.

The Clerk submitted letters from Mr. Alexander A. Keith, Lenzie, and Mr. T. H. Paterson, Biggar, each intimating acceptance of office as a member of the County Council.

Preparation of Autumn Registers of Voters.

The meeting agreed that the Registration Officers, in preparing the Autumn Registers of Voters under the Representation of the People Act, 1918, should make up the Registers in such a manner as to distinguish the names of the persons entitled to vote as Local Government Electors.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I to this minute), which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the Council.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 31st December, 1918 (forming Appendix II to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

No samples analysed by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for quarter ended 31st December, 1918.

The Clerk stated that no samples had been analysed by the District Agricultural Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for the quarter ended 31st December, 1918.

Report by the County Firemaster.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the County Firemaster for the year ending 31st December, 1918 (forming Appendix III to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Minutes of Committees, &c.

The following minutes of Committees and Sub-Committees and of the

County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Food Control Committee, of dates 18th November and 23rd December, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter, of date 23rd December, 1918.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Flour and Bread, of date 23rd December, 1918.

[The above minutes of the Food Control Committee and Sub-Committees were submitted only for the information of the Council.]

(2) Joint-Meeting of Lanark Court House Commissioners and Joint-Committee for the Management of the County Buildings at Lanark, of date 16th December, 1918.

(3) County Road Board, of date 8th January, 1919.

(4) Sub-Committee on Reconstruction, of dates 8th January and 10th January, 1919.

(5) Finance Committee, of dates 8th January and 5th February, 1919.

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of date 8th January, 1919.

Sub-Committee on Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, of dates 5th February and 26th February, 1919.

(6) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 8th January, 5th February, and 26th February, 1919.

Sub-Committee on Tramways, of date 26th February 1919.

(7) General Purposes Committee, of dates 8th January and 26th February, 1919.

(8) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting &c., of date 15th January, 1919.

(9) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 15th January and 5th February, 1919.

Sub-Committee, of date 29th January, 1919.

(10) Public Health Committee, of dates 22nd January and 26th February, 1919.

(11) Conference on Public Health Administration, of date 26th February, 1919.

(12) Executive Committee, of date 26th February, 1919.

(13) Weights and Measures Committee, of date 26th February, 1919.

Addition to List of Highways.

Under reference to the minutes of the County Road Board, of date 8th January, 1919, the Clerk submitted evidence of the advertisement and certificates of the posting of notices as required by the Act, together with a certificate by the Road Surveyor that the following road recommended to be assumed as a highway was in a condition to be taken over, viz.:—

In the District of the Upper Ward—

Parish of Pettinain.

Road leading from the Pettinain and Lanark Road to Pettinain Churchyard Gate, extending to 69 yards or thereby.

The meeting thereafter unanimously approved of the recommendation of the County Road Board, so far as relating to the road above mentioned, and resolved that the said road be added to the list of roads, highways, and bridges, made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or Vice-Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £300 for the provision and erection of lamps and the laying of service pipes for lighting Wellshot Village, within Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(*b*) £250 for the erection of public urinals within Larkhall Special Scavenging District.

(*c*) £40 for the supplying and fitting up of two small radiators, with all necessary fittings, &c., at Shotts Sanatorium.

(*d*) £77 10s. for the widening and improvement of road in front of Rosebank U. F. Church, Cambuslang.

Increase of salary to County Firemaster.

On the motion for the approval of the minutes of the Fire Brigades Committee, of date 5th February, 1919, Mr. Owen Coyle moved, by way of amendment, that the Council do not agree to the recommendation of the Committee that an increase of salary be granted to Captain Despard, County Firemaster, which was seconded by Mr. Joseph Sullivan.

A vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, as between the motion and the amendment, a majority voted in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Approval of minutes.

The meeting thereafter approved of the minutes of the several committees and sub-committees and of the County Road Board above mentioned.

Motion by Mr. William L. Dyer regarding admininistration of Local Government (Scotland) Act, in the County.

In terms of the notice of motion given by him, Mr. William L. Dyer moved—"That a committee be appointed to consider whether, having regard to efficiency and economy of administration, any alteration can and should be made upon the system set up by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, under which the County of Lanark is presently administered, and to report," which was seconded by Mr. William B. Thomson, and unanimously agreed to. The meeting thereafter appointed the following committee to consider the matter, and to report, viz.:—

John Adam.
James Cameron.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Gavin Hamilton.
William Love.
Peter MacAuslan.
Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
John Train.

Communication from Clerk to Upper Ward District Committee regarding salaries.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 23rd January, 1919, intimating that the District Committee had granted increases on the salaries of the following District Officials, viz.:—

A. W. Paterson, District Clerk—salary increased from £380 to £400 per annum;

W. R. Meek, Road Surveyor—salary increased from £280 to £300 per annum;

William Paterson, District Sanitary Inspector—salary increased from £225 to £250 per annum;

the increases to take effect as from 15th November last. The meeting approved.

Communication from General Secretary of Lanarkshire Miners' County Union regarding housing.

There having been submitted a communication from the General Secretary of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, transmitting resolutions passed by the Union on the housing question, the meeting, after discussion, agreed to remit the matter to the Finance Committee

Documents for execution.

There having been submitted the following documents for execution, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same, in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the Common Seal of the County, viz.:—

(1) Disposition by the County Council in favour of John M'Donald of plot or area of ground forming part of the site of the Police Station at Burnside.

(2) Agreement between the Minister of Munitions and the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward, in connection with the erection of houses in the Middle Ward.

Resolution regarding Members and Employees of the County Council, including Members of the County Police Force, who served with His Majesty's Forces in the European War.

On the motion of the Convener of the County, the meeting unanimously adopted the following Resolution, viz.:—

"The County Council of the County of Lanark resolve that there shall be engrossed in their minutes a list of the Members and Employees of the County Council, including Members of the County Police Force, who have served with His Majesty's Forces in the European War, so that a permanent record of these may be preserved. They desire to record their deep appreciation of the patriotism shown, and the sacrifices made, by their fellow-members, and by the employees. They extend their congratulations to those who have earned special recognition and distinction, and their sincere sympathy with the relatives and dependants of those who have lost their lives. They also direct that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent by the Clerk to each of the Members and Employees who have served, or to the relatives or representatives of deceased employees."

In accordance with the foregoing Resolution, the following list of the Members and Employees of the Council, including members of the County Police Force, who served with His Majesty's Forces during the war, was directed to be engrossed in the minutes:—

Members of the County Council.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Buchanan, A. L. H., ...	—	Lieut.-Colonel,	—
Houldsworth, James Hamilton,	—	Captain,	—
Logan, Robert J., ...	—	Lieut.-Colonel,	—
Vere, James C. Hope, ...	—	Lieut.-Colonel,	—
Watt, Thomas, ...	—	Captain,	Wounded.

County Clerk and Treasurer's Department.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Cumming, James, ...	Royal Garrison Artillery,	Signaller.	—
Daniel, James, ...	Royal Army Ordnance Corps,	Staff Sergeant,	—
Dykes, John, ...	Scottish Rifles (T.F.),	Lieut.-Colonel.	—
Ewart, James, ...	Scottish Rifles,	Private,	—
Gilmour, David.	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Private,	—
Gold, John, ...	Mercantile Marine Reserve,	Chief Writer,	—
Harley, Alexander, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	Wounded.
Little, James, ...	King's Own Scottish Borderers,	Private,	Wounded.
Mackenzie, Robert, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	Killed.
M'Neish, James, ...	King's Royal Rifle Corps,	Lance-Corporal,	Wounded.
Morrison, Forbes, ...	Tank Corps,	Private,	—
Orr, James, ...	Royal Army Service Corps,	Sergeant,	—
Place, Edwin, ...	Scottish Rifles,	Sergeant,	—
Rae, Thomas, ...	Royal Engineers,	Staff Qr.-Master-Sergeant,	—
Rhind, John S., ...	Seaforth Highlanders.	Private,	Wounded.
Rodger, W. H., ...	Rifle Brigade,	2nd Lieutenant,	Wounded and Prisoner of War.
Scott, Alexander, ...	Royal Engineers,	2nd Lieutenant,	—
Smith, James R., ...	Royal Engineers,	Private,	—
Templeton, Archibald A., ...	Black Watch,	Captain,	Wounded.
Wilson, John, ...	Machine Gun Corps,	Private,	—

County Veterinary Department.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Dunn, William, ...	King's Own Scottish Borderers,	Colour-Sergeant,	—
Taylor, James F., ...	Royal Army Veterinary Corps,	Captain,	—

Cambuslang Electricity, &c., Works.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Eunson, David N., ...	Royal Engineers,	Sapper,	—
M'Isaac, Dugald, ...	Royal Air Force,	2nd Air Mechanic,	—

Medical Staff.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Adam, Dr. J. R., ...	Royal Naval Division,	Captain,	—
Miller, Dr. J. W., ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Lieutenant,	—
Richards, Dr. Robert, ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Captain,	—
Scroggie, Dr. F. H., ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Major (Military Cross),	—

Bacteriological Laboratory.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Patterson, Dr. J. H., ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Major,	—
Russell, Thomas	Highland Light Infantry,	Sergeant,	Wounded.
Stewart, Thomas, ...	Royal Garrison Artillery,	Private,	—
Sutherland, Roderick, ...	Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry,	Private,	—

Chemical Laboratory.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Brown, Walter, ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Sergeant,	—

Food and Drugs Staff.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Black, Duncan, ...	Scottish Rifles,	Colour-Sergeant,	—
Macara, Charles, ...	Royal Army Veterinary Corps,	Corporal,	—
M'Arthur, Frank, ...	Scottish Rifles,	Staff Qr.-Master Sergeant,	—
Williamson, Athol, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	Wounded.

Medical Officer's Office Staff.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Gray, Robert, ...	Scottish Horse,	Private,	—
Irons, William, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	—

Members of the County Police Force.

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
Armstrong, Alexander, ...	Royal Scots,	Private,	Discharged unfit.
Anderson, Joseph, ...	Military Mounted Police,	Sergeant,	—
Breakenridge, Robert, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Brown, George, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Bain, William, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Beveridge, Robert, ...	Black Watch,	Private,	Killed.
Blaney, George, ...	Royal Engineers,	Sapper,	Wounded.
Bain, George, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Bennett, Thomas, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Bell, John, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	Wounded.
Blacklock, Thomas, ...	Lovat's Scouts,	Private,	Killed.
Christie, James, ...	Lanark Yeomanry,	Lieutenant,	—
Clark, William, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Cameron, Gregor, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Campbell, Robert, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Crowe, Hugh Drummond, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Crowe, James Symington, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Campbell, Peter, ...	Royal Garrison Artillery,	Gunner,	Wounded.
Donaldson, John, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Drummond, Alexander, ...	Royal Scots,	Lieutenant,	—
Davis, James, ...	Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders,	Private,	—
Dunn, William Bell, ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Private,	Wounded.
Edwards, Charles, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	Killed.
Forrest, William, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Sergeant,	Wounded.
Fraser, James, ...	Royal Field Artillery,	Gunner,	Died of wounds.
Findlay, William, ...	Royal Engineers,	Sapper,	Wounded.
Flight, William, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Gibson, James, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	Wounded.
Gardner, William, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Sergeant,	—
Gatherer, James, ...	Black Watch,	Sergeant,	Wounded.
Henderson, John, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Hutton, Stewart, ...	Royal Scots,	Private,	Killed.
Hay, William, ...	Lovat's Scouts,	Private,	—
Hay, John, ...	Royal Scots,	Sergeant (M.M.),	—
Hamilton, William, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private (M.M.),	Wounded.
Hamilton, Andrew, ...	Military Foot Police,	Lance-Corporal,	—
Haig, David, ...	Royal Field Artillery,	Gunner,	—
Jolly, William, ...	Military Foot Police,	Lance-Corporal,	—
Kerr, Robert, ...	Army Service Corps,	Driver,	—
Kirkhope, Robert, ...	Scots Guards,	Corporal,	Wounded.
Kerr, Robert, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Kemp, George, ...	Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders,	Private,	Killed.
Kinmond, James, ...	Gordon Highlanders,	Lance-Corporal (M.M.),	—
Leslie, Arthur, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	—
Munro, Alexander, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Martin, William, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Martin, James, ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Sergeant,	—

Members of the County Police Force—*Continued.*

Name.	Branch of Service.	Rank.	Casualties.
M'Kay, George, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	Wounded.
M'Phedran, Allan, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	—
M'Leod, Angus, ...	King Edward's Horse,	Private,	—
M'Donald, George, ...	Scots Guards,	Sergeant,	Wounded.
M'Neill, David, ...	Scots Guards,	Lance-Corporal (M.M.),	Wounded.
M'Intyre, William, ...	Cameron Highlanders,	Lieutenant,	—
M'Lean, Alexander, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Corporal (M.M.).	—
M'Ilwain, William, ...	Royal Garrison Artillery,	Gunner,	—
Peter, Alexander, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Porter, James, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	—
Robertson, David, ...	Scots Guards,	Private (M.M.),	—
Robertson, Richard, ...	Life Guards.	Corporal,	—
Rutherford, Walter, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Ross, Kenneth, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Ross, Simon, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	Died.
Renwick, William, ...	Gordon Highlanders,	Acting-Sergeant,	Wounded.
Sinnerton, Joseph, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Killed.
Smith, William, ...	Royal Marines,	Corporal,	—
Steele, Matthew, ...	Royal Field Artillery,	Sergeant (D.C.M., M.M.),	Wounded.
Shannon, Jeremiah, ...	King's Own Scottish Borderers,	Lieutenant,	Killed.
Smith, Charles, ...	Seaforth Highlanders,	Private,	—
Smith, Alexander, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Sibbald, James, ...	Royal Air Force,	Mechanic,	—
Sibbald, Thomas, ...	Military Mounted Police,	Lance-Corporal,	—
Stewart, John Henry, ...	Royal Army Medical Corps,	Sergeant (M.M.).	—
Sidey, John, ...	Military Foot Police,	Lance-Corporal,	—
Scott, Stephen, ...	Military Foot Police,	Lance-Corporal,	—
Topham, Raymond, ...	Royal Irish Fusiliers,	Company Sergeant-Major,	—
Thomson, Robert, ...	Royal Scots,	Lieutenant (M.C.),	Wounded.
Urquhart, William, ...	Cameron Highlanders,	Private,	Wounded.
Wood, David, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Died of wounds.
Weir, Anthony, ...	Highland Light Infantry,	Private,	Missing, presumed killed.
White, John, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Wounded.
Watson, William Young, ...	Army Service Corps,	Driver,	Wounded.
Woods, Alexander, ...	London Regiment,	Private,	—
Webster, Andrew, ...	Guards Machine Gun Regiment,	Private,	Gassed.
Watt, James, ...	Scots Guards,	Private,	Gassed.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 5th March last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) Hairmyres Sanatorium.—Borrowing of a further sum of £20,000 in connection with Hairmyres Scheme.

(2) Acquisition of subjects at corner of Buchanan Drive, Cambuslang—£200.

(3) Construction of new sewer at Watson Street, Blantyre, within Blantyre Special Drainage District—£750.

(4) Making up to Highway Standard the Road between the housing feu of Wellshot and the Glasgow Road, Cambuslang—one-third of cost—£600.

GEORGE FRASER,
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE,
Two Members of Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

April, 1919.

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
274	Jan. 9	Lanark County Council,	Larkhall, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 12 per cent., and artificially coloured by Annatto.
275	,, 10	Do.,	Stonehouse, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
276	,, ,,	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
1	,, 17	Do.,	Coalburn, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
2	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
3	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 4 per cent.
4	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 6 per cent.
6	,, 21	Do.,	Uddingston,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
7	,, ,,	Do..	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
8	Feb. 13	Do.,	Ryelands, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 16 per cent., and in Milk Fat, 3 per cent.
10	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
11	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
12	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
13	,, 26	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
14	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
15	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
16	,, ,,	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
17	Mar. 4	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
18	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
19	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
20	,, ,,	Do.,	Eastfield, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
21	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
22	,, ,,	Do.,	Farme, ...	Do., ...	Do,	... ...
23	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
24	,, 6	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
25	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do, ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1907.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 31st MARCH, 1919.

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26	Mar. 6	Lanark County Council,	Strathaven, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
27	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
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32	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
33	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
34	,, 10	Do.,	Ryelands, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
35	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
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39	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
40	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
41	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
42	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
43	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 6 per cent.
44	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Milk Fat, 5 per cent.
45	,, ,,	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
46	,, 13	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang.	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
47	,, ,,	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Margarine, ...	Do.,	... ...
48	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
50	,, ,,	Do.,	Newmains, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
51	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
52	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
53	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
54	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
55	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
57	,, 17	Do.,	Ferniegair, ...	Whisky, ...	...	Contained 1 degree of excess Water, ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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0 10 0		Yes.	...	...	...	Proceedings pending.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
58	Mar. 17	Lanark County Council,	Ferniegair, ...	Whisky, ...	Genuine.	... ...
59	,, ,,	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Margarine, ...	Do.,	... ...
60	,, 19	Do.,	Cleland, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
61	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
62	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
63	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
64	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
67	,, 27	Do.,	Forth, ...	Marmalade, ...	Do.,	... ...
84	,, ,,	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
85	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
86	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
87	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
88	,, ,,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 68
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 7

9th April, 1919.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

22nd April, 1919.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs.		12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
				Charged on Offender.	Charged on Local Authority.	
£0 10 0						
0 10 0	Contained ½ per cent. of Butter Fat.					
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TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis.		5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
			Article genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.		
5	Jan. 17	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat, 35 per cent.	£0 10 0	

9th April, 1919.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

22nd April, 1919.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland by the

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Number, &c., on Sample.	Name and Address of Vendor (if known).	Name and Address of Purchaser (if any).
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	7th February,	No. 1,	Not known,	Not known,
Superphosphate, ...	21st February,	No. 2,	Not known.	Not known,

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1919.

Whether "Formal" or "Informal" Sample.	REMARKS.
Informal,	Satisfactory.
Formal,	Satisfactory.

Summary :—

Fertilisers—Satisfactory, 2.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. T. THOMSON.

Date, 10th April, 1919.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

AGRICULTURAL ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1919.

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 8th MAY, 1919.

C.C.G.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RETURN OF EXPENSES OF DEPUTATIONS FOR YEAR 1918, PREPARED IN TERMS OF RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL AS CONTAINED IN THE MINUTES OF 11TH MAY, 1899, AND 15TH DECEMBER, 1908.

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	Sums Paid to each Councillor.	
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
George Fraser,	Interviewing in London, the Secretary for Scotland, and attending the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in support of the County Council's Amendments to the Education (Scotland) Bill.	3	11 8 5	
	Do. do.	5	13 10 5	
	Do. do.	4	12 9 5	
	Interviewing in London, the Ministry of Munitions, with reference to the restrictive conditions proposed to be laid down by the Treasury as to the rentals to be charged under the Housing Schemes,	3	11 8 5	48 16 8
James Tonner,	Interviewing in London, the Ministry of Munitions, in connection with the Provision of Houses for Working Classes in the Middle Ward,	3	11 8 4	
	Interviewing in London, the Ministry of Munitions, with reference to the restrictive conditions proposed to be laid down by the Treasury as to the rentals to be charged under the Housing Schemes,	3	11 8 5	22 16 9
Robert Lambie,	Attending in Stirling, the Conference of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland,	3	3 16 3	
	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Town Planning Conference,	2	2 14 9	6 11 0
W. B. Thomson,	Attending in Stirling, the Conference of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland,	3	3 15 8	
	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Town Planning Conference,	2	2 13 3	6 8 11
	Carry forward,			84 13 4

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	Sums Paid to each Councillor.	
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward, - - -			84 13 4
Alexander Pillans, - -	Attending in Stirling, the Conference of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, - - - - - -	3	...	3 17 11
William Love, - - -	Attending in Stirling, the Conference of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, - - - - - -	3	...	3 14 3
J. Raeside Auld, - - -	Attending in Stirling, the Conference of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, - - - - - -	3	...	2 13 3
James H. Fenton, - -	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Town Planning Conference, -	2	...	2 12 6
A. D. Mack, - - -	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Town Planning Conference, -	2	...	2 13 3
W. C. B. Christie, - -	Interviewing in Edinburgh, the Secretary for Scotland, with reference to the re-organisation of Public Health Administration, - - - - - -	1	...	0 15 0
James C. Pollok, - -	Interviewing in Edinburgh, the Secretary for Scotland, with reference to the re-organisation of Public Health Administration, - - - - - -	1	...	0 15 0
				101 14 6

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 8TH MAY, 1919.

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COUNTY OF LANARK AND BURGH OF BIGGAR.

FOOD CONTROL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 10th February, 1919, being a Meeting of the Food Control Committee of the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar. 10th February, 1919.

Present—

William Gardner.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	J. H. Paterson.
William Love.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Thomas M'Auslin.	Lady Wilson.

Attending—

W. T. McGillivray, Inspector.

Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd December, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk, as promised at last meeting of the committee, laid before the committee a list of the members of local sub-committees, so far as these had at present been reconstituted The committee approved of all the appointments made. Reappointment of Local Sub-Committees.

There were submitted applications under the Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918, from the following persons:— Applications under Retail Business (Licensing) Order, 1918.

William A. Stewart, 6 Douglas Street, High Blantyre, to establish a Tea Restaurant and Shop for sale of home-baked scones, pastries, &c., at 112 Main Street, Blantyre.

Joseph Taylor, Co-operative Buildings, Main Street, Muirkirk, to establish a Bread and Pastry Business at The Bakery, Abington.

Walter N. Martin, Verdun, Coronation Road, New Stevenston, to establish a Fish-and-Chip Shop at Volunteer Arms Buildings, Carfin.

The committee approved of all these applications being granted.

Application for transfer of Retailers' Certificates.

The Clerk submitted an application from Mr. William Allardice, Excelsior Cottage, Wishaw Bank Road, Motherwell, for a transfer of the milk retailers' license previously held by his brother, John Allardice, who had left the district; and also an application on behalf of Mrs. Paw, for a transfer to her of the permits to obtain edible oils and fats, formerly granted to Mr. George Johnston, Main Street, Baillieston, whose fish-and-chip business she had taken over. The committee agreed to grant both applications.

Bread prices.

With reference to the question of bread prices in the Abington District, the Clerk read to the meeting a letter, which he had received from the Sub-Executive Officer at Abington, of date 24th December, 1918, stating that his sub-committee were of opinion that the merchants in the area should be allowed to charge 11d. for the 4-pound loaf, as at the price of 10½d. fixed by the committee the sub-committee were satisfied that the merchants could not make any profit and would be forced to discontinue the sale of bread. In view of the scarcity of bakers in the district the sub-committee considered that this would be a calamity, and urged that the committee should meet the wishes of the merchants in the matter. After a general discussion, Mr. Love, seconded by Mr. Gardner, moved that the committee sanction the increased price of 11d. Mr. Lambie, seconded by Mr. M'Auslin, moved, as an amendment, that the committee meantime adhere to their previous decision and the Clerk be instructed to obtain further information on the subject. On a vote being taken, three votes were cast for each of the motion and the amendment, and the Chairman thereupon gave his casting vote in favour of the *status quo*.

Application under Sale of Sweetmeats (Restriction) Order, 1918.

There was laid before the meeting a letter, from Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., Rutherglen, of date 23rd January, 1919, stating that, in view of the withdrawal of the restrictions in connection with the Sweetmeats Order, they would be glad to learn that the committee would now consider the advisability of granting a license to their canteen for the sale of sweetmeats. The Clerk explained that Messrs. Stewarts and Lloyds, Ltd., were in error in assuming that the restrictions on the sale of sweetmeats had already been withdrawn, although he understood this was in contemplation. The committee unanimously refused to entertain the application.

Application for sugar for baking.

The Clerk submitted an application by Mrs E. Gilmour, 64 Old Mill Road, Uddingston, who had commenced a small baking concern, for permission to obtain a stone or a stone and a half or thereby of sugar each week for baking purposes. The committee approved of the application and remitted to the Clerk to arrange, if possible, for Mrs. Gilmour obtaining a reasonable quantity of sugar for her purpose.

Relaxation of Rationing Restrictions.

The Clerk reported that the Rationing Regulations were gradually being relaxed. As from 16th February, there would be no restriction on the quantity of margarine to be purchased by members of the public, although up to 1st March they would be compelled to purchase from the Retailer with whom they were presently registered. After 1st March, however, all restrictions on the sale of margarine to members of the public would be abolished. In the case of butchers meat, the Ministry of Food had now intimated that an additional allowance was to be granted to all butchers, which they were to be able to sell to their registered

customers, without coupons. Intimation had also been made that meat meals would in future be obtainable without coupons. The committee expressed their gratification at hearing of the relaxation of the restrictions.

Mr. M'Auslin drew the attention of the committee to the greatly enhanced prices which were being charged for seed potatoes this year, as compared with last year, although it was generally admitted that the potato crop was much larger than last year, and, indeed, was in excess of immediate requirements. The committee were of opinion that, especially in the interests of allotment holders, efforts should be made to have the price of seed potatoes reduced, and instructed the Clerk to forward a representation to the Ministry of Food on the subject. Price of seed potatoes.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at the meetings of the Sub-Committees on Orders relating to Potatoes and Milk and Butter, held earlier in the day, the minutes of which are appended hereto, and the committee approved thereof, and of the several findings and recommendations of these sub-committees. Proceedings of sub-committees.

There were laid on the table prints of the various official orders and leaflets which had been issued by the Food Controller since the last meeting of the committee. Official orders and leaflets.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Potatoes.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 10th February, 1919, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Potatoes. 10th February, 1919.

Present—

William Gardner.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Love.	
Thomas M'Auslin.	Lady Wilson.

Attending—

W. T. M'Gillivray, Inspector.

Mr. T. M'Auslin, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 19th August, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Applications for registration as Retailers.

There were submitted applications for registration as retailers of eating potatoes from:—

John Breslin, 11 Dyke Street, Baillieston.
Alexander Semple, South Netherburn Farm, Ashgill.
F. A. M'Gill, 3 Union Street, The Cross, Larkhall.
John Paterson, Dalmacoulter Farm, by Airdrie.
John Paton, Orbiston Dairy, Bellshill.
David Patterson, Gilburn Lodging-House, Shotts.
Mrs. A. M'Cully, 489 Main Street, Bellshill.
Robert Duncan, Glasgow Road, Springwell, Blantyre.
James Buchanan, Hazelbank, Lanark.
James Corbett, Jerviston Street, New Stevenston.
William M'Lean, Emily Cottage, Benhar Road, Shotts.
John Douglas, 13 Ashgill, by Dalserf.

The sub-committee, having considered the various applications and received explanations regarding the individual circumstances of each, agreed to grant all the applications.

Official orders.

There were laid on the table prints of various official orders which had been issued by the Food Controller since the date of last meeting.

Sub-Committee on Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

10th February, 1919.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 10th February, 1919, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Food Control Committee for the County of Lanark and Burgh of Biggar, appointed to deal with Orders relating to Milk and Butter.

Present—

William Gardner.	Mrs. Neish.
Robert Lambie.	Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Love.	Lady Wilson.
Thomas M'Auslin.	

Attending—

W. T. M'Gillivray, Inspector.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Gavin Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee, Sir Robert King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 23rd December, 1918, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the sub-committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Milk distribution scheme.

The Clerk laid before the meeting Memorandum M.G. Milk 15, issued by the Ministry of Food, containing details of a scheme of priority supply and distribution which might be adopted by Local Food Control Committees if they thought fit. The scheme was in essence one of registration of customers and did not provide fully for the rationing of the retailers. The Clerk, at the request of the Executive Officer for the Burgh of Hamilton, had convened a meeting on 7th January, 1919, of the Executive Officers of all the Food Control Committees in the County, when—apart from the question of policy, which the Executive Officers recognised was one for their Food Control Committees and not for them—they had discussed the practicability of the scheme suggested. The unanimous opinion of the Executive Officers present was that, judging from their past experience, the scheme would not prove a satisfactory one. They were further of opinion that the time which must elapse before the scheme could be put into effective operation was such that by that date the need for the scheme would have largely disappeared. The Clerk had communicated to the Chairman of the sub-committee the views of the meeting of Executive Officers prior to this meeting. The sub-committee, having considered the matter with the Clerk's explanations, were of opinion that it was not expedient to adopt the scheme.

Shortage of milk supplies.—Increased supplies of condensed milk.

The Clerk reported that, so far as he could judge the milk shortage in various areas in the County was now rather less acute. He had, however, granted a small number of additional priority certificates where the Medical Officer of Health considered this necessary. The Ministry of Food had also kindly placed at his disposal 200 cases of condensed milk each month, and these he had allocated to the milk retailers and other retailers in the areas where the milk shortage had been most apparent. The condensed milk so allocated had been confined to unsweetened milk as the Clerk's information was that this was the class of milk most useful for infant feeding, whereas any increase in the supplies of sweetened condensed milk was apt to be taken up by adults. The supply of condensed milk as a whole was now very much more plentiful than previously, and with the increasing production of ordinary milk it was hoped that the worst of the shortage had now passed. The sub-committee expressed pleasure at the improved outlook and resolved that further action was meantime unnecessary.

Retail milk prices.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Ministry of Food, of date 28th January, 1919, stating that, in connection with a recent prosecution for exceeding the maximum retail price of milk fixed by a Food Control Committee, some doubt had been expressed as to the legality of the forms of sanction which had been given to these fixed prices, and, in consequence, the Ministry had transmitted to the Clerk an amended form of sanction which removed the legal objections raised to the previous forms.

Commission on costs of milk production.

There was read to the meeting a letter from the Food Commissioner, of date 7th current, intimating that a Commission appointed by the Ministry of Food to inquire into the costs of milk production, will visit Scotland from March 10th to 15th, and will probably take evidence in Glasgow about March 10th. The Ministry desired milk producers to be informed that any of them who might desire to submit statements of costs of milk production could do so, and that if application were made through the Executive Officer, forms to be filled up would be sent to them. It was desired that this information be made known as widely as possible by means of the press or otherwise. The Clerk explained that he proposed to send each milk producer in the area a circular drawing his attention to the matter, and also to insert a short advertisement in the local press. The sub-committee approved.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th March, 1919, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 5th March, 1919.

Present—

John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
Gilbert Hamilton.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
T. H. Paterson.
Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.
William Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, County Firemaster.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th February, 1919, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a further letter which he had received from Messrs. Robert M'Tear & Company, Valuators, Glasgow, which was in the following terms, viz.:— Hose destroyed by fire at Camelon. —Further letter from Messrs. M'Tear & Co.

Royal Exchange Salerooms,
North Court, St. Vincent Place,
Glasgow, 24th February, 1919.

Sir,

Messrs. Alex. Cross & Sons, Limited.—Works, Camelon.

Damaged Hose.

We have your letter of 7th instant, from which we note that the committee cannot see their way to depart from their decision in this matter. The Offices consider that the demand for new hose is unreasonable, and

that the authorities are not entitled to look for the value of new hose without taking into account the condition before the fire of the old hose, which, on Captain Despard's admission, was about eight years old. Nowadays the principle of depreciation is well understood, and unless we hear in course of the next week that the authorities decide to adopt a reasonable attitude, nothing further will be done anent the hose, so far as we are concerned. We may say that up till now the whole expenses attending the fire have been seriously delayed with the view to having this matter amicably arranged, but it is now imperative that other interests have some consideration.

We shall be glad to hear from you.

We are, &c.,

ROBERT M'TEAR & CO.,
Assessors.

The meeting, after reconsideration, and having received further explanations by the Clerk and the Firemaster, agreed to remit the matter to the Chairman, the Firemaster, and the Clerk, with powers.

Report by County Firemaster.

There was submitted the following report by the County Firemaster, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, N.B., February, 1919.

GENTLEMEN,

By the recent change in the pay of the Fire Brigade, your two Mechanics are left in an inferior position, as regards pay, to 1st Constable Drivers. The exact difference is 5s. a week, but this will only continue so long as Constables are receiving a War bonus. I beg to suggest that your Mechanics should receive a bonus to bring them at least on an equality with the men that they frequently have to advise and assist, when repairs are required to engines driven by Constable Drivers.

As the number of motor vehicles in charge of the Fire Brigade is increasing, I think the time has come when the advisability of appointing a man as Chief Mechanic should be considered. This man should also be employed in driving and looking after the Constabulary Prison Van, and consequently part of his pay should come from Constabulary funds.

The Chief Constable's stables should be reconstructed as a garage for the Prison Van, and also as a properly-equipped workshop where all ordinary repairs could be carried out.

I beg to forward you a letter from Mr. Lochhead, County Architect, and a report by Messrs. Taylor & Fraser, Ltd., Glasgow, regarding the Hose-drying Tower at Cambuslang Fire Station. Great difficulty has been experienced in getting hose dried in the Tower, and some alteration in the heating system is necessary.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,
Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain,*
Chief Constable and Firemaster.

War bonus to two mechanics.

The meeting approved of the recommendation of the County Firemaster, that the pay of the two mechanics be increased by the addition of a war bonus at the rate of 5s. per week, the increase to take effect as from 25th January, 1919.

The meeting concurred in the suggestion of the Chief Constable, that one of the two mechanics be appointed as Chief Mechanic. Appointment of Chief Mechanic.

The meeting also agreed, subject to the approval of the Standing Joint-Committee, (1) that the Chief Mechanic should also be employed in driving and looking after the Constabulary prison van; and (2) that the Chief Constable's stables should be reconstructed as a garage for the prison van, and also as a properly equipped workshop, where all ordinary repairs could be carried out. Constabulary prison van. — Reconstruction of Chief Constable's stables as garage, &c.

With regard to the hose drying tower at Cambuslang Fire Station, there was submitted an offer, amounting to £48 10s., from Messrs. Taylor & Fraser, Limited, heating engineers, Glasgow, to increase the capacity of the boiler by the addition of two extra sections, and to fit up an additional radiator, &c., all as set forth in their offer. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accept the offer, the work to be carried out to the satisfaction of the County Architect. Cambuslang Fire Station. — Heating of hose drying tower.

Attention having also been directed by the County Architect to the stiffness of the large back and front doors of the garage at Cambuslang Fire Station, the meeting authorised the necessary repairs to be carried out. Repairs to doors of garage.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 5th March, 1919, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 5th March, 1919.

Present—

William Barr.	Alexander Pillans.
Robert Lambie.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William Love.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	William B. Thomson.

In the absence of Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, who was engaged on County business in London, and from whom an apology for absence was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting, of date 5th February, 1919, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £41,239 18s. 3d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Mack and Mr. Shanks. Accounts and requisitions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:— Statement of loan indebtedness.

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 1st March, 1919.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...			£1,559,456 16 11
Loans taken since last meeting. ...	£31,525 0 0		
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	15,181 6 5		
		16,343 13 7	
		£1,575,800 10 6	
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		8,983 5 10	
		£1,584,783 16 4	

The County Fund stands at £230,325 7s. 8d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£210,000 0 0	
On Account Current, ...	20,325 7 8	
	£230,325 7 8	

Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Official acknowledgments.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed.

Statement of collection of assessments.

The Clerk laid upon the table the following statement of collection of assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee:—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY, 1919

	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total.
Amount imposed, - -	£302,495 18 2	£39,838 5 8	£342,334 3 10
Do. collected, - -	299,071 0 3	39,838 5 8	338,909 5 11
Percentage collected at above date this year, -	98·87	100	98·99
Do. last year, -	98·86	100	98·98

Number of payments to date, - - - - - -	48,228
Corresponding number last year, - - - - - -	48,141
Increase, - - - - -	87

Details of above amount collected—

County Clerk, Hamilton, ...	£104,018 11 8
Thos. Tennent, Glasgow, ...	96,163 13 6
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	82,759 4 10
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	25,677 7 10
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	15,138 19 0
Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven, ...	10,908 11 4
W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	4,242 17 9
	£338,909 5 11

Remuneration of District Collectors of County assessments.

The meeting, in terms of the remit made to the committee by the County Council at the statutory meeting, held on 10th October, 1918, having proceeded to consider as to the remuneration to be paid to the District Collectors of County assessments for the current year, fixed the remuneration as follows, being the same as for previous years:—

W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	£25 0 0
R. M'Cowan, Strathaven, ...	30 0 0
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	65 0 0
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	85 0 0
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	145 0 0
	£350 0 0

with reimbursement of outlays for cost of outdoor collections and receipt and postage stamps, but excluding cost of clerical assistance.

Collectors' outlays passed for payment.

As relative to the foreging, the Clerk submitted a detailed note of the outlays claimed by the District Collectors for the current year, when, after consideration, the amounts were allowed as follows:—

W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	£10	1	3
R. M'Cowan, Strathaven, ...	12	5	0
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	19	0	0
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	24	16	7
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	56	11	9
	£122	14	7

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz.:—

No. 229 (old), dated 1st March, 1919, ...	£6	5	0
Camps Scheme, dated 1st March, 1919, ...	1,730	1	5

Housing. — Adoption of deputation expenses incurred by Middle Ward District Committee.

On the application of the District Clerk of the Middle Ward, of date 25th February, 1919, the meeting agreed to recommend that the County Council adopt, under the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 1906, the expenses incurred by the Chairman of the District Committee attending a Conference with the President of the Local Government Board (England) and other representatives of the Government in London, on 12th February, 1919, in connection with the revised terms and conditions upon which the Government propose to grant financial assistance to Local Authorities undertaking approved housing schemes.

Housing. — Government's revised financial terms.

The Clerk laid upon the table circular letter, of date 12th February, 1919, from the Local Government Board, containing the Government's revised terms in connection with the provision of houses for the working classes. A copy of so much of said circular as referred to the purely financial terms had been sent to each member of the committee (Appendix I), together with a memorandum by the Clerk thereon (Appendix II).

Committee's resolution.

The meeting, having proceeded to consider the Board's circular letter and the Clerk's memorandum, were, after discussion, in general agreement with the Clerk's observations and criticisms, and resolved to recommend that every effort should be made to ensure that the principle enunciated in Article 2 of the circular letter for the liability of the Local Authority being restricted to the produce of a penny rate be rigidly adhered to, without qualification or reservation, and that the actual deficiency after applying said rate should be met by the State annually.

J.P. Court-rooms at Bellshill. — Application by Bellshill and Holytown Local War Pensions Sub Committee for use of offices agreed to.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 4th December, 1918, remitting to the Chairman of this committee, along with the two local County Councillors for Bellshill, to consider an application by the Bellshill and Holytown Local War Pensions Sub-Committee for the use of the J.P.

Court-rooms at Bellshill as offices, the Clerk reported that this sub-committee had met and had resolved to recommend that the request that the rooms of the Bellshill Court-house be made available for the War Pensions Sub-Committee as offices be acceded to, on the understanding that the sub-committee become responsible for the lighting, cleaning, and furnishing thereof so far as not already furnished, and that a rent be paid at the rate of £30 per annum. The meeting, having been advised by the Clerk that these terms were acceptable to the War Pensions Sub-Committee, approved of the recommendation and resolved accordingly.

Glasgow Veterinary College. — Application for renewal of County grant.

The Clerk submitted and read a long letter from the Secretary to the Glasgow Veterinary College, Incorporated, of date 24th February, 1919, making application for at least a renewal, and, if possible, an increase, of last year's grant of £100 towards the revenue of the College. Prints of the reports and accounts were sent in support of the application, and it was pointed out in the letter that, owing to the war, there was a very large decrease in the income from student's fees, and that, although everything was being done to curtail expenditure, there remained certain standing charges which could not be reduced; that it was in these circumstances that the Governors were compelled to make a special appeal to Town and County Councils, and that in this they were acting in accordance with the suggestion of the Board of Agriculture; that the contributions by Town and County Councils were of very special value, because the usual undertaking of the Board of Agriculture was to contribute a sum equivalent to that received from the Local Authorities. Reference was also made to the important function the College was now fulfilling as a centre for research work into diseases of sheep and other animals. The letter concluded by offering to send a small deputation from the Governors to meet the committee, if it were so desired.

Renewal of grant of £100 agreed to.

The meeting, having been advised of the contributions made by other Local Authorities, and of the contributions of the County Council of this County in previous years, agreed to recommend that the special grant of £100 made for the last two years be renewed out of the County Council's quota of the Equivalent Grant receivable during 1919-20, subject to the required approval of the Secretary for Scotland.

Expenses of delegates to Conference of Royal Sanitary Institute, London.

Intimation having been made of the appointment of delegates by the County Council and Middle Ward District Committee to attend a Conference arranged by the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held in London on 13th, 14th, and 15th March, 1919, to consider post-war developments relating to Public Health, the meeting authorised the Clerk to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to a reasonable sum being set aside out of the Equivalent Grant to defray the expenses of said delegates.

Representation of the People Act, 1918.—Treasury's consent to continuance of Lands Valuation Assessors.

Under reference to minutes of this committee, of date 8th January, 1919, the Clerk laid upon the table letters from the Comptroller of Inland Revenue, dated 31st January, 3rd February, and 25th February, 1919, respectively, conveying the approval of the Treasury to the continuance as Assessors, under the Lands Valuation Acts, as heretofore, of Mr. G. W. Hare, Surveyor of Taxes at Motherwell; Mr. S. H. Francis, Surveyor of Taxes at Glasgow; and Mr. S. D. Easton, Surveyor of Taxes at Hamilton.

Representation of the People Act, 1918. — Treasury Order as to expenses of Second Register.

The Clerk laid upon the table communication from the Scottish Office, of date 5th February, 1919, transmitting the following Order as to Registration Expenses under the Representation of the People Act, 1918:—

"REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1918.

"REGISTRATION EXPENSES—SCOTLAND.

"In pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by Section 15 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, we, being two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, hereby prescribe that, notwithstanding anything contained in the Treasury Order of 19th April, 1918, the scales fixed by that Order for the First Register under the Act shall be applicable also to the Second Register.

"J. W. PRATT.

"JAMES PARKER.

"Treasury Chambers,

"Whitehall, 3rd February, 1919."

Old Lands Valuation Returns to be destroyed.

It was agreed that there was no objection to the destruction of the old Lands Valuation Returns, for the year 1915-16 and previous years, as suggested by Mr. S. D. Easton, Lands Valuation Assessor at Hamilton.

Youthful offenders.—Case of James Fisher.

The meeting adopted a guarantee given under the Children Act by the Clerk, in accordance with the usual practice, to the Kibble Reformatory Institution, Paisley, for the maintenance charges in respect of James Fisher, Newton, a youthful offender convicted of theft, with five previous convictions, and committed to that Institution by the Sheriff-Substitute at Hamilton.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works:—

Construction of new sewer at Watson Street, Blantyre, within Blantyre Special Drainage District—£750.

The construction of a new Highway between housing feu at Wellshot and the Glasgow Road, Cambuslang—one-third of cost—£600.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent in both cases of the Standing Joint-committee being obtained, and in the case of the latter application the County Road Board as well, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to these committees for their consent.

Stamping instruments and ballot boxes to be loaned for the election of the new Education Authority.

A request by the Returning Officer for the Election of the new Education Authority for the use of the County Council's stamping instruments and ballot boxes was granted, on the understanding that these would be returned in no worse condition than received.

APPENDIX I.

EXCERPT FROM CIRCULAR LETTER FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD FOR SCOTLAND REGARDING THE GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL PROPOSALS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROVISION OF POST-WAR SCHEMES OF HOUSING FOR THE WORKING CLASSES, DATED 12TH FEBRUARY, 1919.

SIR,

1. I am directed by the Local Government Board to inform you that His Majesty's Government have reconsidered the terms of financial assistance previously promised to Local Authorities in connection with the provision of houses for the working classes at the present time. The Government desire to secure the erection as rapidly as possible of the large number of houses needed to make good the existing shortage, and they believe that, under the terms now proposed, they will be able to rely upon the active support and energetic co-operation of Local Authorities as a whole.

2. Local Authorities, in the representations which they have addressed to the Government in regard to the previous terms set forth in the Board's circular of 18th March, 1918, have referred to the element of uncertainty as to the burden which might have to be borne by Local Authorities, and have pressed for a declaration that in no case should the annual burden falling on a Local Authority exceed the produce of a rate of one penny in the £.

3. His Majesty's Government have been desirous of meeting these representations as far as practicable, and they have now approved the adoption of a scheme under which the burden on Local Authorities would be limited as nearly as possible to the amount suggested. Parliamentary approval for these proposals will be obtained at the earliest practicable date.

4. In accordance with the revised scheme, the terms set out in the paragraph numbered 2 of the Board's circular of 18th March, 1918, will be superseded by the following terms:—

SCHEMES IN RESPECT OF WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN.

(*a*) The housing schemes of Local Authorities to which the State will be prepared to grant financial assistance if they are submitted to the Local Government Board within twelve months from this date, and carried out within a period of two years from this date, or within such further period as may be approved by the Local Government Board, are: —

(1) Schemes carried out by Local Authorities under Part III. of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for any area for which the Local Government Board are satisfied that it is desirable that houses for the working classes should be provided.

(2) Rehousing schemes in connection with Improvement and reconstruction Schemes under Parts I. and II. of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, except that no part of the cost of acquiring and clearing a site would be made the subject of financial assistance if either (*a*) the site had been acquired or cleared before the date of this letter; or (*b*) the needs of the district could, in the opinion of the Local Government Board, be adequately met by means of a scheme under Part III.

LOANS.

(*b*) The full cost of a scheme will, in the first instance, be met out of a loan or loans raised by the Local Authority, and it is particularly desired by the Treasury that Authorities should raise such loans in the open market wherever it is possible for them to do so. As the financial assistance to be granted from Public Funds for housing schemes will take the form of a subsidy, as explained below, and as it is important to secure that the whole of the State assistance may be given under one head, any loans granted from the Local Loans Fund for the purpose of assisted schemes will not be made at the preferential rates ordinarily allowed for housing loans, but at a rate fixed by the Treasury, so as to correspond with the full current market rate of interest.

GENERAL PRINCIPLE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

(*c*) In respect of any housing scheme or series of housing schemes carried out by a Local Authority within the period referred to above, Parliament will be asked to vote financial assistance calculated on a basis estimated to relieve the Local Authority of the burden of any annual deficit, in so far as it exceeds the produce of a rate of a penny in the £ on the area chargeable, but there will be no contribution towards the cost where the annual excess of expenditure over income would not exceed that amount.

PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES.

(*d*) In order to avoid delay in the commencement of schemes, the settlement of the actual amount of State subsidy will be deferred until after the houses have been built and let; but payments on account will, if necessary, be made on provisional estimates of income and expenditure approved by the Local Government Board.

SETTLEMENT OF SUBSIDY DURING TRANSITIONAL PERIOD.

(*e*) When the houses have been built and let, the amount of the subsidy to be paid thereafter during a transitional period ending 31st March, 1927, will be settled on the basis of a revised balance sheet showing the actual expenditure incurred and the actual rents obtained. The interest charged on loans will be taken at the amounts actually to be paid if the loans are raised from the Local Loans Fund or other outside sources. Where the money is provided from accumulated funds in the hands of the Local Authority interest will be calculated at the rate in force for loans for assisted housing schemes from the Local Loans Fund (unless the Local Authority are also borrowing from other outside sources in respect of their scheme, in which case interest should be charged on advances from accumulated funds at the rate paid for the loans from such other outside sources). Where there is found to be a deficit in excess of the produce of a rate of a penny in the £, the rate of annual contribution so determined will hold good for the remainder of the transitional period.

In making this interim adjustment the Local Government Board will reserve the right of reducing the amount of the subsidy in any case in which there is evidence of failure on the part of the Local Authority to secure due economy in the erection or management of the houses, or that the best rents obtainable are not in fact being obtained.

Final Adjustment.

(*f*) At the end of the transitional period the whole position will be reviewed in the light of the actual working of the scheme during that period, and the annual amount thereafter to be provided out of public funds will be adjusted as follows:—The amount of the estimated annual expenditure will be compared anew with the amount of the estimated annual income, and if, as a result of this comparison, it appears that the future annual charges to be borne by the Local Authority are likely to exceed the produce of a rate of a penny in the £, the annual subsidy for the remainder of the period of the loan will be finally fixed at a sum calculated to cover this excess, subject only to such adjustment as may be required in consequence of any variation in the amount produced by a penny rate.

At the final adjustment it will be open to the Local Government Board to reduce the amount of the State contribution if there has been evidence of failure on the part of the Local Authority to exercise due economy in management, or in securing the best rents obtainable. In the event of the Local Authority and the Local Government Board being unable to reach an agreement on any such question, the matter will be referred for final settlement to some independent tribunal.

(*g*) In the case of a district other than a burgh, the produce of a rate of a penny in the £ for the purpose of the scheme will be based on the assessable value of the whole district of the Local Authority, unless very strong grounds are shown for an authorisation under Section 53 (5) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, which would impose the cost of a housing scheme on one or more of the parishes or special districts comprised in the district, to the exclusion of other parishes or special districts within the district.

Necessity for Economical Construction and Management.

5. Local Authorities will recognise that, while the revised terms of financial assistance set out in this circular are exceptionally advantageous from their point of view, they will impose a corresponding responsibility, both upon the Local Authorities and upon the Central Department, to secure economical construction and management. Accordingly every care must be taken to secure these ends, and the Local Government Board will expect Local Authorities themselves to exercise effective supervision in regard to the cost of construction and the rents obtained, which should approximate as nearly as circumstances permit to the economic level. As stated in previous circulars, the Board and their staff are at all times prepared to give Local Authorities and their officials every assistance in the preparation of their housing schemes, and, as indicated in a subsequent part of this circular, to consider at various stages any draft proposals that may be submitted to them.

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I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN T. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

APPENDIX II.

MEMORANDUM BY COUNTY CLERK ON THE GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL PROPOSALS IN REGARD TO THE PROVISION OF HOUSES FOR THE WORKING CLASSES.

There is sent herewith an excerpt from a circular letter from the Local Government Board for Scotland, setting forth the Government's financial proposals in regard to the provision of Post-War Schemes of Housing for the Working Classes.

The circular is self-explanatory, the principle underlying the proposals being that the financial burden which the execution of the necessary scheme of housing in each locality creates shall not involve the Local Authority in a greater annual charge than can be met by the produce of a rate of a penny in the £.

In this connection it may be of interest to state what a penny rate would yield in the County. The figures are as follows, viz.:—

	Valuation.	Assessment.
Upper Ward, ...	£401,302	£1,672
Middle Ward, ...	1,389,156	5,788
Lower Ward, ...	232,482	969
Total, ...	£2,022,940	£8,429

Calculating interest at 5 per cent., these annual sums would, on the annuity principle of repayment over a period of sixty years, meet a capital charge in each Ward of—

Upper Ward, ...	£31,850
Middle Ward, ...	110,200
Lower Ward, ...	18,450
Total, ...	£160,500

If there were no other revenue to meet the loan charges, this would mean that only a sum of £160,500 could be expended on housing within the County before recourse was had to the Government's subsidy.

But rents will be received from the houses to be erected, and their amount will increase the amount available. It is impossible to state figures with any accuracy, but, assuming that the rents received from the houses would meet the cost to the extent of, say, sixty per cent., the annual sum available would be as follows:—

Produce of 1d. rate, as above, ...	£8,429
Rents on above basis, ...	5,058
	£13,487

which would meet a capital charge of £256,800.

Assuming, for the sake of illustration, that the County were one unit for the purpose of housing, this would mean that, if the cost of a scheme to be formulated within one year and completed within two years from 12th February, 1919, did not exceed £256,800, no Government subsidy would be payable.

For any sum expended beyond that figure, the Government would, in accordance with the principle laid down, become entirely responsible.

Assuming the principle to be finally agreed, it is necessary that the proposals should be analysed, with the view of ascertaining whether the new proposals will, in effect, and under all circumstances, and during the whole continuance of the liability for the scheme, restrict the burden on the Local Authority to the produce of the one penny rate. It may be impossible to ascertain this definitely until the Bill embodying the proposals is issued, but the following observations occur on the proposals, as set forth in the Board's letter:—

1. Paragraph 3 states that the scheme will limit the burden on the Local Authorities "as nearly as possible" to the rate suggested.

2. The full cost of the scheme will, in the first instance, be met out of loans raised by the County Council, in the open market if possible. The financial assistance from the State will take the form of a subsidy. No preferential treatment will be afforded if loans are granted by the Local Loans Fund, which, if taken, will be at the full current market rate of interest. (Paragraph 4*b*.).

3. No State assistance will be given in the case of housing schemes which do not show an annual excess of expenditure over the income derivable from the one penny rate.

Assuming the scheme is formulated and carried out within two years, an ascertainment will then be arrived at, but the settlement of the actual amount of the subsidy will be deferred until the houses are built and let, payments on account, however, based on provisional estimates, being authorised (Paragraph 4 *d*.) When the houses have been actually built and let the subsidy will be settled for the transitional period up to 31st March, 1927, on the basis of a revised balance sheet showing the actual expenditure after deducting the rents received. Once this revised balance is ascertained, it will regulate the subsidy for the whole of the transitional period. If, therefore, a deficit not covered by the one penny rate is shown, the State will meet it; if, on the other hand, there is no deficit on the balance, no State aid will accrue, and that notwithstanding that fluctuations that may take place, such as fall in rents, increase in interest charges, taxes, repairs, &c.

4. In making this interim adjustment on balance, the Board may reduce the subsidy on evidence of failure of the Local Authority to secure economy in the erection or management of the houses, or to obtain the best rents possible. (Paragraph 4 *e*.)

5. A final adjustment between the State and the Local Authority will be made at the end of the transitional period, *i.e.*, 31st March, 1927. This adjustment will be on the following basis:—

The estimated annual expenditure, *i.e.*, principal, interest on loans, rates and taxes, upkeep, management, &c., will be compared with the estimated annual income, *i.e.*, rents. If it is found that the future annual charges on the Local Authority are likely to exceed the produce of a penny in the £,

the annual subsidy for the remainder of the period will be fixed at a sum calculated to cover such excess, subject to such adjustment as may thereafter be necessary on account of the penny rate increasing or decreasing in productivity. The Board reserve in the final adjustment the same powers as in the preliminary adjustment in regard to economical management. (Paragraph 4(*f*).)

Several points of importance arise:—

(1). The ascertainment is apparently final at the close of seven years, and stereotypes the obligations of the Local Authorities and the State respectively for the remaining period of 53 years, subject only to the variation as the result of alteration in the assessable valuation as above-mentioned and hereafter referred to.

The alterations that may take place during that long period in such directions as cost of upkeep, rate of interest, taxation, loss of rent, need only be pointed out as showing the radical modifications that may take place in regard to liability on and income derivable from the houses erected under the scheme.

If the liability of the Local Authority during that period increases beyond the sum which the one penny rate plus the stereotyped subsidy will meet, the inevitable result will be an increase on the one penny rate.

(2) If the assessable valuation decreases over the long period referred to, the State, it is assumed, will make an adjustment in the subsidy corresponding to the decrease in the valuation.

If, on the other hand, as is more likely to be the case in a progressive area such as Lanarkshire, the productivity of the one penny rate increases, the subsidy will be reduced correspondingly.

But under any circumstances the subsidy, as originally fixed at the end of the transitional period, remains the basis of adjustment. Increased outgoings and/or diminished rents would therefore be to the prejudice of the Local Authority, involving a corresponding increase in the one penny rate. If, in an optimistic moment, the converse view is taken, and it is considered probable that there might be increased rents and/or decreased expenditure, the responsibility of the Local Authority might be capable of being covered by less than a penny rate. In this connection, however, it may be the intention of the Government to insist that the Local Authority must always impose a rate of not less than one penny before getting the benefit of the subsidy. On the balance of probabilities, it would seem indisputable that the more equitable course, and one probably more likely to ease the burden of the Local Authorities, would be that, instead of a stereotyped subsidy being arrived at on consideration of the facts as these may exist at the close of the first seven years of the scheme, a periodic revision should take place.

If there are practical difficulties in meeting such a revision yearly, it could be made quinquennially or even septennially, but certainly the position should not be left in the vague and indefinite matter contemplated. It is not proposed to stereotype the valuation—why, then stereotype the subsidy?

(3) In calculating the produce of the one penny rate, regard will be had to the assessable valuation of the whole district, unless very strong grounds are shown for restricting it to one or more parishes or special districts. (Paragraph 4(*g*).)

The Board, in referring to the exceptionally advantageous terms now offered, urge the necessity of economical construction and management of houses. In this connection, they state that the rents obtained should "approximate as nearly as circumstances permit to the economic level." If any meaning now attaches to the expression "economic level," as applied to houses erected at the present time, it means that the rent received should, as nearly as may be, meet the annual charges in respect of the houses so erected. But as the fact remains that the Government consider as probable a charge on the rates of one penny in the £, and a possible Government subsidy in addition, all that the phrase in actual practice can mean is that the Local Authority should take steps to secure payment of rents that are equitable, having regard to all the circumstances. On the face of it, as circumstances now exist, it would seem to be impossible for the Local Authority to exact "economic rents" in the true sense of that term, and it seems wise to face this fact.

In view of the controversial question of what is "economic rent," it is suggested that the duty of fixing the rents of the houses to be erected under an approved scheme should be deputed to some form of local rent tribunal.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 3rd March, 1919.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

2nd April, 1919.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.	William Love.
William L. Dyer.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	Alexander Pillans.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Gavin Hamilton.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Capt. Hamilton Houldsworth.	
Robert Lambie.	John Train.

Chairman. Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 5th March, 1919, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and requisitions. Accounts and requisitions, amounting in all to £82,475 8s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and, having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books, containing the accounts in detail, were also submitted and initialed by Mr. Lambie and Mr. Mack.

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee :— Statement of loan indebtedness.

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 29TH MARCH, 1919.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,575,800	10 6
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£18,175 0 0		
Loans taken do. ...	7,845 12 11		
		10,329	7 1
		£1,565,471	3 5
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		14,036	16 0
		£1,579,507	19 5
The County Fund stands at £215,315 0s. 2d. to the Credit made up as follows, viz. :—			
On Deposit Receipt, ...		£185,000	0 0
On Account Current, ...		30,315	0 2
		£215,315	0 2

As relative to the foregoing statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt. Bank certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

The official acknowledgments for loans taken, as per the foregoing statement, were submitted for signature, and were authorised to be signed by any two members of the committee, and thereafter to be signed by the County Clerk and sealed. Official acknowledgments.

The Clerk laid upon the table the following statement of collection of assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee :— Statement of collection of assessments.

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1918-19 COMPARED WITH 1917-18 AS AT CLOSE OF COLLECTION.

	1918-19. Amount.	1918-19. Percentage.	1917-18. Amount.	1917-18. Percentage.
Collected, ...	£340,502 19 10	99·46	£302,039 15 9	99·43
Abatements, Reliefs, Exemptions, ...	916 3 4	·27	638 18 9	·21
Arrears under recovery,	932 3 4	·27	1,091 8 4	·36
Amount Imposed,	£342,351 6 6	100·00	£303,770 2 10	100·00

DETAILS OF AMOUNT COLLECTED FOR 1918-19.

County Clerk, Hamilton, ...	£105,451 19 2
Thos. Tennent, Glasgow, ...	96,323 19 11
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	82,759 4 10
James Russell, Airdrie, ...	25,677 7 10
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	15,138 19 0
Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven,...	10,908 11 4
W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	4,242 17 9
	£340,502 19 10

The Auditor's report, of date 1st April, 1919, confirming the foregoing totals, was laid upon the table. Auditor's report thereon.

Statement of collection of arrears of assessments.

There was also laid upon the table a detailed statement of arrears of assessments recovered for the year 1917-18, together with an allocation thereof to the appropriate rate accounts, and, as relative thereto, the Clerk reported as follows:—

There was outstanding as arrears at the close of the collection, 1917-18,			£1,041 15 10
of which there has been recovered, as per statement now submitted, ...	£780 4 2		
and since that statement was made up	13 0 1		
		793 4 3	
leaving a balance uncollected at this date in the summary warrant of			£248 11 7
from which there falls to be deducted Government exemptions of			77 5 4
leaving to be written off as irrecoverable ... ... being ·064, or 1s. 3d. per cent. of amount imposed.			£171 6 3

Comparison with previous years.

1916-17, ...	·058 or 1s. 2d.	per cent.	of amount imposed.
1915-16, ...	·063 or 1s. 3d.	do.	do.
1914-15, ...	·155 or 3s. 1d.	do.	do.
1913-14, ...	·155 or 3s. 1d.	do.	do.
1912-13, ...	·23 or 4s. 7d.	do.	do.
*1911-12, ...	1·16 or 23s. 2d.	do.	do

* Year prior to House Letting Act coming into operation.

Arrears written off as irrecoverable.

The Clerk was authorised to strike out of his books the arrears outstanding from the assessments of 1917-18, leaving them, however, still open for recovery.

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz.:—

No. 230 (old), dated 29th March, 1919,	...	£174 5 6
Camps Scheme, dated 28th March, 1919,	...	1,653 18 10

Remit from County Council.—Communications from Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, containing resolutions relative to housing.

The Clerk submitted two communications from the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union remitted by the County Council, at their last meeting on 5th March, to this committee for consideration—

(1) Dated 26th December, 1919, containing the following resolutions:—

(*a*) That the Labour Party, at the opening of Parliament, should insist upon the Government having all the housing claims that have already been sanctioned by them or are in contemplation being proceeded with immediately.

(*b*) That such houses which are to be built should be erected by Local Authorities, who should be subsidised by Government loans which should be supplied to them free of interest.

(*c*) That all material required for the purpose of building houses should be commandeered by the State, and thus prevent the possibility of profiteering.

(*d*) That the Rents Restriction Act should be kept on the statute book until houses are provided for the people.

(2) Dated 3rd March, 1919, containing the following additional resolutions:—

(*a*) That we ask for an extension of Rents Restriction and Mortgage Act to have it applied to Company-owned houses, and that it should continue on the statute book until sufficient houses are provided to comfortably house all workmen.

(*b*) That if any attempt be made to evict any workmen from their dwelling-houses action will be made to prevent same.

The meeting, having proceeded to consider these communications, and having been advised of the steps already taken, or in course of being taken, to get the best financial terms possible for Local Authorities and the work pressed on, agreed to report to the County Council that the committee were fully impressed with the necessity for all steps being taken to provide further housing accommodation in the County, and that the views expressed in the communications would be kept before the committee.

Conference of Royal Sanitary Institute.—Secretary for Scotland's approval of delegates' expenses being defrayed out of the Equivalent Grant.

Under reference to minutes of last meeting the Clerk intimated that the Secretary for Scotland had, under date 13th March, 1919, intimated his approval to the appropriation of a sum not exceeding £100 being made from the County's share of the Equivalent Grant, as a contribution towards the expenses of representatives from the County Council and District Committees attending a conference of the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held in London on 13th, 14th, and 15th March, for the purposes of considering problems of post-war developments relating to Public Health.

Unemployment. — Communications from Ministry of Labour Employment Department, Edinburgh, &c.

The following communications were submitted:—

(1) Letter from the Ministry of Labour, Employment Department, Edinburgh, dated 20th February, 1919, drawing attention to the number of workpeople unemployed in the areas of the Local Advisory Committees within the County, and urging the advisability of the County proceeding with any schemes in conection with work which has been delayed or postponed in order to provide work, so as to meet the serious state of unemployment, and pointing out that the general situation is so unsettled that employers are not in a position to consider the development of their works and it is strongly urged that, pending more settled conditions, public bodies should provide the necessary work.

(2) Letter from the Ministry of Labour, of date 17th March, 1919, enclosing copy of an appeal, addressed to all employers of labour, by the Prime Minister, urging that special consideration should be given to the claims of disabled ex-service men who find difficulty in returning to civil employment.

(3) Letter from the General Secretary of the National Association of Local Government Officers, transmitting copy of an appeal which had been issued to all Local Government Officers with a view to preserving their status as public servants whilst the industrial situation remains so unsettled.

(4) Letter from the Scottish Office, dated 21st February, 1919, detailing the steps to be taken under existing circumstances to obtain Treasury sanction to the raising of loans by Local Authorities.

It was agreed to report the communications to the County Council.

Bellshill Electric Lighting Order.—Application of Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company for authority to spend £450.

On the application of the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company, of date 27th February and 20th March, 1919, approval was given, subject to the consent of the Secretary for Scotland, to spend £450 on capital works within Bellshill Electric Lighting District for connections to afford a supply of electrical energy to two firms for trade purposes.

Probation of Offenders Act, 1907.—Appointment of Probation Officers.

There was laid upon the table a letter from the Sheriff-Clerk of Lanarkshire, of date 31st March, 1919, intimating that the Sheriff had made the

following appointments of Probation Officers under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, for this County for the year from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920, viz.:—

1. Duncan M'Innes, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
2. George Gillie, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
3. Walter Gillie, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
4. Mrs. Sarah Brown, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
5. Mrs. Janet Mann, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
6. Mrs. Rebecca Robertson, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
7. Miss Mary Elizabeth Cairns, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
8. James M'Kay, 7 Carlton Place, Glasgow, S.S.
9. Nellie Greenfield Miller, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
10. Kate Lockhart, Parish Council Chambers, Glasgow.
11. William Waddell Veitch, Bar Officer, County Buildings, Lanark.
12. John Brennan, 20 M'Ghie Street, Hamilton.
13. George Easton, Bar Officer, County Buildings, Airdrie.

NOTE.—Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive will act only in prosecutions at the instance of Glasgow Parish Council; Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive will act only in prosecutions at the instance of Govan Combination Parish Council; and No. 12 will act as an Honorary Probation Officer.

Ratepayers War Loan Stock unsold.

With reference to the War Loan stock purchased for the purpose of re-sale to ratepayers on payment by instalments, the Clerk reported that there was a sum of £15,200 remaining unsold, which, he suggested, might be applied at the forthcoming Whitsunday term for the purposes of the investment of the sinking fund instalments due to be then set aside. The meeting approved.

Representatives appointed to Scottish National Housing and Town Planning Congress.

The Convener of the County and the Chairman of this committee were appointed as representatives to the Scottish National Housing and Town Planning Congress, to be held in Edinburgh on 1st and 2nd May, 1919.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LOCAL CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON WAR SAVINGS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Local Central Committee on War Savings for the County of Lanark. 2nd April, 1919.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.	William Love.
George Fraser.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Robert Lambie.	

Mr. Christie, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 4th September, 1918, were submitted, approved of, and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted and read circular letter from the Scottish War Savings Committee, in which it was stated that— Circular letter from Scottish War Savings Committee.

> "Now the time has come for us to consider the best means of making this great war savings movement a permanent institution, so that, when peace is signed, we may be ready to carry on our work of peace savings. While our immediate object during the war has been the raising of money by stimulating investments in Government loans, there has been a deeper purpose, that of educating the people to acquire the habit of thrift. Now that the war is over, it must be our endeavour to develop this habit of thrift and co-operative savings on which, undoubtedly, will depend the future prosperity of our country."

The circular letter went on to suggest methods for (1) amalgamation of committees; (2) expenses; (3) simplification of work of voluntary officers; and (4) reconstruction and new associations.

The committee carefully considered the matter in all its bearings, and, in the course of the discussion, the view was expressed and accepted that, so long as the war savings movement had been an emergency measure, it was appropriate

that Local Authorities should provide the administrative machinery not otherwise obtainable, especially in the difficult days in which the movement was launched. Now, however, that the immediate object of the movement had been successfully accomplished the expediency of the Local Authority undertaking propaganda work on thrift in peace times was not so apparent. The committee accordingly, in all the circumstances, resolved to ask to be excused from taking part in the new organisation.

At the same time the committee expressed the view that every facility and help should be given to the Scottish War Savings Committee during the transition stage of the schemes, and the Honorary Secretary undertook to continue, so long as present conditions prevailed, to carry out the duties of the office and to keep in touch with the several War Savings Associations affiliated to the Local Central Committee.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 10th March, 1919, being a Joint-Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark and Representatives of the Middle Ward District Committee, appointed to meet with Representatives of the Burghs of Wishaw and Motherwell in regard to proposed Housing Schemes for these Burghs in the County Area. 10th March, 1919.

Present—

*John A. Beattie.	A. D. Mack.
William Bell.	William Love.
George Fraser.	*J. C. Pollok.

Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Attending—

Mr. Walter Henderson, representing Mr. W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Mr. Gavin A. Shanks. Apology for absence.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a print of the minutes of the last meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, which had been approved by the County Council at their meeting on 5th instant, and which contained the remit to this joint-meeting. Remit.

With reference to the proposal by the Burgh of Wishaw, the Clerk explained that he had requested the Assessor to furnish him with a statement of the assessable valuation of the area proposed to be included in the Burgh, and that he was now informed that the present assessable valuation of the area in question was £60. There were meantime no buildings on the ground, and while it was understood that there were minerals within the area, these were not meantime being worked, although, no doubt, they had a prospective valuation. The Clerk further explained the legal rights of the County Council in the event of a claim for an extension over the area being put forward, either at this stage or after the houses had been erected. The representatives from the Town Council of Wishaw, who were in attendance, were then invited to enter the meeting, when there appeared Provost Loudon, Bailies Cowie and Archibald, and Mr. A. G. Wishaw Housing Scheme.

* These gentlemen, while members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, were also present as representatives of the Middle Ward District Committee.

Stewart, Town-Clerk. The Wishaw representatives explained that an attempt had been made to find within the Burgh boundaries a suitable site for houses which the Town Council proposed to build under a housing scheme for the Burgh. While there were several sites available, these were unsatisfactory either on account of mineral workings or of their being within the zone of smoke from public works, and, after most careful investigation, the Town Council and Local Government Board had come to the opinion that the site now proposed was the most suitable. A portion of the houses comprised under the scheme would be erected within the boundary of the Burgh, but the larger number would be erected within the County. The proprietor of Coltness Estate had met the Town Council very generously in the matter, and all the Town Council now desired was to secure the extension of the Burgh boundaries to include the site of the new housing scheme.

After a general discussion and interchange of views, the Committee informed the Wishaw representatives that they were prepared to recommend the County Council to consider the Burgh's application for an extension of boundaries favourably, provided reasonable terms of compensation were adjusted in the interests of the County ratepayers, and it was finally remitted to the County Clerk and Town-Clerk of Wishaw to meet and endeavour to arrange terms for submission to the County Council and Town Council. It was indicated that any steps which the Town Council might find it necessary to take to carry out the housing scheme in the interval, would not be founded on by the County Council to the prejudice of the Burgh's legal position.

The Wishaw representatives, having thanked the committee for receiving them, withdrew.

Motherwell Housing Scheme.

The Clerk then read to the meeting the communication from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell referred to in the remit to this committee, when the meeting discussed generally the alternative suggestions contained in that communication. The meeting thereafter received a deputation from Motherwell Town Council, which was in attendance, consisting of Bailies Frood, Port, M'Kendrick, and J. K. Murray, with Mr. James Burns, Town-Clerk.

The deputation explained that the Town Council of Motherwell proposed to erect, approximately, 1,000 houses under a housing scheme; and that, while sites to accommodate a small number of houses could be found within the present boundary of the Burgh, the Local Government Board did not favour the erection of isolated groups of houses, and preferred that a comprehensive scheme or schemes should be formulated to permit of a considerable number of houses being erected at the one place. The Town Council accordingly were forced to look for sites outside the Burgh boundaries, and they considered that the most suitable places for erecting houses would be found adjoining the Burgh boundaries in the Hamilton Road District, Bellshill Road District, Braidhurst District, and also in the Carfin District. The Town Council had not arrived at any definite decision as to extending the Burgh boundaries, and had meantime no concrete proposal to place before the County Council. After a general discussion and interchange of views, it was agreed that the Town Council should put forward definite proposals to the County Council; and that, provided the County Council were satisfied a reasonable case existed for Burgh extension, the committee would recommend the County Council not to oppose an application for such extension, subject to an equitable adjustment as regards compensation. It was also agreed that Sir Thomas Munro might meet with Mr. Burns and discuss the terms of a possible arrangement. The Motherwell representatives, having thanked the committee for the manner in which they had been received, then withdrew.

Ministry of Health Bill.

The Chairman reported that on Wednesday last a meeting had taken place between the Scottish Coalition and Labour Members of Parliament and representatives of the Convention of Royal Burghs, the Association of County Councils, the Association of District Committees, and the City of Glasgow regarding the proposed Ministry of Health Bill for Scotland—at which both he and the Clerk had been present—and he indicated generally what had transpired at the meeting.

Ministry of Ways and Communications Bill.—Letter from Clyde Trust.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Clyde Trust, of date 5th current, drawing attention to the possible effect of the Ministry of Ways and Communications Bill on the Clyde Trust Undertaking, and asking that the County Council should co-operate with the Clyde Trust in having the Undertaking excluded from the scope of the Bill. It was agreed to continue consideration of this matter to the next meeting of the committee.

Housing. — Meeting with Glasgow Members of Parliament.

The Chairman reported that on Wednesday next a meeting was to take place in London between the Members of Parliament for the Glasgow constituencies and representatives of the Cities of Glasgow, Dundee, and other Burghs, and of the Middle Ward District Committee, in connection with the Government's financial proposals in regard to housing. It seemed to the Chairman that, in view of the vital interest of the County in the matter, it was desirable that Sir Thomas Munro should be present. The committee unanimously approved of Sir Thomas Munro attending the meeting.

Rents Restriction Bill.

The Clerk drew the attention of the committee to the fact that the new Rents Restriction Bill was to be read for the second time in the House of Commons in the course of this week, and pointed out that it was proposed, under the Bill, to allow landlords to increase their rents, as from six months subsequent to the termination of the war. In order that any increase of rent might be subject to payment of rates, it was necessary that this increase of rents should appear in the Valuation Roll, and this could only be done if the enhanced rental were ascertainable at the term of Whitsunday in the year in which the increase took place. At present there were no means of ascertaining when the increase might take effect, and the result might be to deprive the County Council of rates on the increase of rental for a period of a year. The Clerk suggested that the difficulty might be met if the Bill were amended to provide that the Rating Authority should have power to assess any increase of rental to the same effect as if it had appeared in the Valuation Roll. The committee approved of this suggestion, and instructed the Clerk to forward a representation to the Secretary for Scotland on the matter.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

2nd April, 1919. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
GEORGE FRASER.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
JOHN HURLL.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
A. D. MACK.
Sir ROBERT KING STEWART, K.B.E.
WILLIAM SYM.
JOHN TRAIN.

Chairman. Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting of committee. The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 10th March, 1919, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Ministry of Ways and Communications Bill.—Report of deputation. The Clerk reported that a deputation, consisting of the Convener, the Chairman, and Mr. Adam, had on 21st March, accompanied by him, and several of the Members of Parliament for the County, waited in London on Sir Rhys Williams and General Maybury, as representing Sir Eric Geddes, and had placed before Sir Rhys Williams and General Maybury the views of the County Council regarding the provisions of the Ministry of Ways and Communications Bill. The interview had, on the whole. proved satisfactory The deputation were informed that the Government's present intention was to have roads taken over and controlled as a separate Department of the Ministry under General Maybury. Sir Rhys Williams, as Parliamentary Under Secretary, would be generally responsible to Parliament for the Department. The roads throughout the County would be classified into super roads, main roads, and other roads. The Government would make to Local Authorities contributions amounting to 50 per cent. for the maintenance of super roads, and 25 per cent. for the maintenance of main roads. The cost of maintaining other roads would fall entirely on Local Authorities. The Government would also pay 50 per cent. of Road Surveyors' salaries, subject to the appointment of these officials being approved by the Ministry. The proposal that there should be a Central Road Authority could not be entertained by the Government, but an assurance was given that the interests of roads would in no way be sacrificed to the development of railways or other means of transit. There would be a responsible officer established in Scotland, who would be available for consultation by the Scottish Authorities. A further assurance was given that Local Authorities would be consulted before any light railways were laid on or near roads. Attention having been drawn to the fact that the present revenue derived from local rates on railways

might be lost to the Local Authorities if railways were nationalised, a promise was given on behalf of the Ministry that this point would receive careful consideration. The deputation pointed out that when railways and tramways were constructed by third parties Local Authorities had means of enforcing their rights which might be lost if these undertakings were owned by the State. It was stated that this point would be carefully considered. The committee expressed approval of the report of the deputation.

Letter from Clyde Trust.

There was read to the Meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Clyde Navigation Trustees, of date 5th March, 1919, calling attention to the provisions of the Ministry of Ways and Communications Bill as affecting Harbours and Docks in general, and the Clyde Navigation undertaking in particular, and asking the County Council to co-operate with the Clyde Trust in opposing the Bill so far as it proposed to deal with Harbour and Dock Undertakings. As relative to this letter, there was submitted copy of a Memorandum for the Trustees of the Clyde Navigation, setting forth the grounds of their opposition to the Bill. After considerable discussion and exchange of views, the Committee decided that it was inexpedient at this stage to take any action in the direction desired by the Clyde Navigation Trustees; but they resolved to continue further consideration of the matter, and instructed the Clerk to report, from time to time any developements that might occur.

Town Planning Scheme by Glasgow Corporation.—Letter from Town Clerk of Glasgow.

There was laid before the Meeting a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 3rd March, 1919, giving formal intimation under the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, of the intention of the Corporation to apply to the Local Government Board on or after 21st May, 1919, for authority to prepare Town Planning Schemes with reference to the land on the Northern and Eastern sides of the City situated partly within the City and partly within the County of Lanark. Accompanying the letter was a map shewing the boundaries of the proposed Scheme, from which it appeared that the Town Planning Scheme was very extensive, and included practically the whole of the Lower Ward, and a portion of the Middle Ward of the County, as well as areas in Renfrewshire, and possibly also in Dumbartonshire. After considering the letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow and the Plan, the Committee were unanimously of opinion that it was expedient to have a Conference with the other Local Authorities interested in the Corporation's proposals, and remitted to the Clerk to communicate with the other Local Authorities with a view to arranging for such a Conference being called on an early date.

Public Water Rate.—Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk of the Middle Ward District Committee, of date 26th February, 1919, transmitting a Memorandum suggesting an alteration on the existing Law, whereby the Public Water Rate might be increased beyond the present statutory limit, and asking the County Council to consider the desirability of taking steps towards procuring or assisting to procure such an amendment on the Law. The Clerk, having explained the present position of matters regarding the Public Water Rate, and reminded the Committee of the special circumstances of the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark, in view of the arrangements come to with Mine Owners and Proprietors of Public Works regarding the extension of the incidence of the Domestic Water Rate in connection with the last Middle Ward Water Order, the Committee remitted to the Clerk to prepare a Memorandum on the whole subject for their future consideration.

Communication from Association of County Councils in Scotland.

As relative to the same matter, there was submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Association of County Councils in Scotland, also transmitting a copy of the Memorandum prepared by the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, with a request that the County Council or its appropriate Committee might give the matter their consideration and inform the Association whether the County Council agreed with the views expressed in the Memorandum. It was agreed to continue consideration of this matter until the County Council had considered the Memorandum which the Clerk was to prepare for their information.

Ministry of Health Bill.

The Clerk submitted a Synopsis of the provisions of the Ministry of Health Bill for Scotland, which had now been introduced in the House of Commons (Appendix). Copies of the Bill and of the Synopsis had been furnished to members of the committee. It was agreed to remit to the Sub-Committee presently dealing with the matter to watch the progress of the Bill.

APPENDIX.

NOTES ON THE SCOTTISH BOARD OF HEALTH BILL.

In accordance with the promise that a separate Bill would be introduced applicable to Scotland only, the Secretary for Scotland has now introduced in the House of Commons a new Bill entitled "The Scottish Board of Health Bill." It contains nine clauses, which may be shortly summarised as follows:—

Clause 1 empowers His Majesty to appoint a Scottish Board of Health for the purpose of promoting the health of the people, and the exercise of the powers transferred or conferred by the Act. Clause 1.

Clause 2 lays on the Board the duty of taking all steps desirable to secure the effective carrying out and co-ordination of measures conducive to the health of the people, including measures for the prevention and cure of disease, initiation and direction of research, the treatment of physical and mental defects, collection, preparation and publication of information and statistics, and training of persons for health services. Clause 2.

The Board is to consist of— Clause 3.

A president, who is to be Secretary for Scotland;

A Vice-President, who is to be a Parliamentary Under-Secretary, appointed by the Secretary for Scotland, to be responsible under him for the administration of the Board;

Two Registered Medical Practitioners;

One or more Women; and

A Member of the Faculty of Advocates, or Law Agent of not less than ten years' standing.

The number of members, other than *ex-officio* members, is at no time to exceed six, and the power of appointing such members is to be exercisable by His Majesty on the recommendation of the Secretary for Scotland.

As a transitory measure, the Board, as at first constituted, is to include the existing appointed members of the Local Government Board for Scotland, and two of the Scottish Insurance Commissioners to be nominated by the Secretary for Scotland. The Secretary for Scotland may, with approval of His Majesty, designate one of the members to be Chairman of the Board in the absence of the President and Vice-President.

There shall be transferred to the Board—

(*a*) All the powers and duties of the Local Government Board for Scotland;

(*b*) All the powers and duties of the Scottish Insurance Commissioners;

(*c*) All the powers of the Privy Council and of the Lord President of the Council under the Midwives (Scotland) Act, 1915;

(*d*) All the powers and duties of the Secretary for Scotland under the Alkali, &c., Works Regulation Act, 1906;

(*e*) All the powers and duties of the Secretary for Scotland under the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855;

(*f*) All the powers and duties of the Secretary for Scotland under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, 1876 and 1893, Section 55 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and the Rivers Pollution Prevention (Border Councils) Act, 1898;

(*g*) All the powers and duties of the Secretary for Scotland under the Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland) Acts, 1854 to 1910, and the Vaccination (Scotland) Acts, 1863 to 1907;

(*h*) All the powers and duties of the Secretary for Scotland and the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Board under the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Grant Act, 1913.

In such matters of a judicial nature under the National Health Insurance Acts as may be prescribed under those Acts, the powers of the Insurance Commissioners transferred to the new Board, are to be exercised by the Board through a special body or special bodies of persons constituted in such manner as may be prescribed.

His Majesty may, by Order in Council, also transfer to the Board:—

(*a*) All or any of the powers and duties of the Scottish Education Department with respect to the medical inspection and treatment of children and young persons;

(*b*) All or any of the powers and duties of the Minister of Pensions with respect to the health of disabled officers and men after they have left the service, so far as those powers and duties relate to Scotland.

(*c*) Any other powers and duties in Scotland of any Government Department which appear to His Majesty to relate to matters affecting or incidental to the health of the people.

On the other hand, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, transfer from the Board to any other Government Department any of the powers and duties of the Board which appear to His Majesty not to relate to matters affecting or incidental to the health of the people.

In the event of provision being made by Act of Parliament for the revision of the law relating to the relief of poor and the distribution amongst other authorities of any powers exerciseable by Parish Councils, there are to be transferred from the new Board to other Government Departments the powers and duties under the Enactments relating to the relief of the poor (not being powers and duties relating or incidental to the health of the people), in so far as these powers and duties may be more conveniently exercised and performed by other departments.

Provision is made under this Clause for the establishment, by Order in Council, of consultative councils for advising and assisting the Board in such matters as may be referred to them. Every such council is to include persons of both sexes, and is to consist of persons having practical experience of the matters referred to the council. Clause 5

Clause 6 provides for the appointment of a staff to the new Board, and for the renumeration of such staff. Clause 6.

Clause 7 refers to the official seal, style, and acts of the Board. Clause 7.

Clause 8 refers to the procedure in making Orders in Council under the Bill. Clause 8.

Clause 9 provides that the new Act is to be known as "The Scottish Board of Health Act, 1919," and for the date upon which the new Act is to come into operation. It also restricts the operation of the new Act to Scotland, and contains certain definitions. Clause 9.

Annexed to the Bill are two Schedules. The first details the transitory provisions necessary for bringing the new Act into operation. The second Schedule enumerates the existing statutes which it is proposed to repeal.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 1st April, 1919.

JOINT MEETING of PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE and Sub-Committee on Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899.

30th April, 1919.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 30th April, 1919, being a Joint-Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee and of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark on the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899.

Present—

John A. Beattie.	Robert Lambie.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Gavin Hamilton.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Capt. Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Sym.
John Hurll.	William Templeton.

John Train.

Present also—

James Hamilton.
Robert Spittal, Road Surveyor.

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting of Committee.

The minutes of last meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, held on 2nd April, 1919, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed.

Housing, Town Planning, &c., Scotland Bill.

There was laid before the meeting a print of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. (Scotland), Bill, which had been recently introduced in the House of Commons, together with a print of Notes by the County Clerk on the Bill (Appendix). Copies of the Bill and the Notes had already been sent to members of the committee.

The Clerk explained that, as the provisions of the Bill referred to matters which not only affected the County Council's interests generally under the Housing Acts, but were of special interest to the sub-committee of the Finance Committee on the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899, he had thought it desirable to ask the members of that sub-committee to attend this meeting to consider, with the members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, the various points of importance in the Bill..

The Clerk drew the attention of the meeting to the clauses of the Bill which seemed to him to call for special comment, and the provisions of the Bill having been discussed at length, and various proposals for its amendment having been considered and agreed to, the meeting remitted to the Clerk to prepare and forward to the Secretary for Scotland a reasoned statement setting forth the committee's views. The following sub-committee was appointed to watch the progress of the Bill, viz.:—Mr. Fraser, Mr. Gavin Hamilton, Mr. Lambie, Mr. Sullivan, and Mr. Train.

Glasgow Corporation Order, 1919.

The Clerk reported that he had adjusted with the Town-Clerk of Glasgow a clause to be inserted in this Order, carrying out the arrangement proposed by the Corporation of Glasgow, and that, having received a written undertaking that the clause would be inserted in the Order, he had withdrawn the County Council's petition against the Order. The committee approved.

With reference to the application by the Busby and District Gas Company, Ltd., under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, for permission to increase the price of gas, the Clerk stated that he had received a letter from Messrs. Carruthers, Gemmill, & M'Killop, Solicitors, Glasgow, agents for the Busby and District Gas Company, of date 4th March, 1919, intimating that their clients would not, under present conditions, charge more than 10s. per 1,000 cubic feet for gas. On receipt of this letter, the Clerk had written to the Board of Trade conditionally withdrawing the County Council's objections, and he now submitted a letter from the Board, of date 2nd April, 1919, which was in the following terms:— Busby and District Gas Company.

"Board of Trade,
"7 Whitehall Gardens,
"London, S.W.1, 2nd April, 1919.

"SIR,

"THE STATUTORY UNDERTAKINGS (TEMPORARY INCREASE OF CHARGES) ACT, 1918.

"With reference to your letter of the 5th March last, on the subject of the application of the Busby and District Gas Company, Ltd., for an Order under the above-mentioned Act, I am directed by the Board of Trade to state, for the information of the Lanark County Council, that, after careful consideration of the circumstances of the case, the Board have made an Order in the matter fixing the price which the Company may charge to consumers at 9s. 3d. (nine shillings and threepence) per 1,000 cubic feet.

"I am to add that the Order will be published under the Rules Publication Act, 1893, and that copies will be obtainable either directly or through any bookseller from His Majesty's Stationery Office, Kingsway, W.C.2.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

"GEORGE ROPER.

"The CLERK TO THE
LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL,
"County Offices,
"Hamilton."

The committee approved.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. James Murphy, Secretary to the Larkhall Branch of the Lanarkshire Miners' County Union, of date 15th April, 1919, stating that he was instructed by his Local Committee to draw the attention of the County Council to the strike of the Tramways Company's employees, and to the fact that the members of his Branch have been compelled to remain idle for want of means of conveyance to and from their work, and petitioning the County Council to take over the cars and run them for the benefit of the community. The Clerk reminded the committee that the question of the acquisition of the Tramways Company's undertak' had been under consideration when war broke out, but would, in due course, be taken up again. Lanarkshire Tramways—
(*a*) Letter from Miners County Union (Larkhall Branch).

In the same connection, there was read to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Motherwell and District Trades and Labour Council, dated 29th April, 1919, to the effect that the Executive Committee of that Council (*b*) Letter from Motherwell and District Trades and Labour Council.

had had before them the fact that a dispute had now existed for three weeks between the Lanarkshire Tramways Company and their employees with resulting inconvenience to the workmen, who were in the habit of using the cars. The Executive Committee had approached both parties with a view to getting them to meet together in order that some basis of agreement might be arrived at, but while the employees' representatives were willing to enter into negotiations, the General Manager of the Tramways Company had replied to the effect that the committee's communication had been forwarded to his Directors. A week had now elapsed since that communication had been sent, and there seemed no immediate prospect of the dispute terminating. In these circumstances, the Trades and Labour Council asked that the County Council might use their influence with both the Company and their employees to get them to meet and discuss their grievances with a view to a settlement being arrived at which would be satisfactory to all parties concerned, including the general public. The committee agreed that the Clerk should draw the attention of the Company to the inconvenience which was being occasioned to the public by the interruption of the car service, and should offer his services as a medium for bringing the parties together, if they were agreeable, to avail themselves of his good offices.

Proposed improvement at Thistlebank Terrace, Mossend.

With reference to the proposed improvement at Thistlebank Terrace, Mossend, the Clerk reported that he had been in communication with Mr. C. Paterson, the owner of the property, and he submitted a letter from that gentleman, of date 7th April, 1919, intimating that he understood the extent of ground to be taken over to be 138 square yards, and that he was willing to accept £85, provided the wall and railing were taken down and re-erected and steps and a wall were erected at Christie Street. The Clerk also reported that he had communicated this offer to the District Committee, and submitted a letter from Mr. W. E. Whyte, the District Clerk, reporting the opinion of the Local Representatives on the offer. In view of the matter coming up at this meeting, the Clerk had invited the representatives of the Sub-Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee (who had also been considering the subject) to be present, and Mr. James Hamilton was accordingly in attendance with Mr. Spittal, Road Surveyor. Having discussed the terms of the offer, the committee agreed to remit to the Clerk, in consultation with the District Committee, to make the best arrangement possible with Mr. Paterson.

Town Planning Scheme by Glasgow Corporation.

With reference to the paragraph in the minute of last meeting, regarding the proposed Town Planning Schemes by Glasgow Corporation, the Clerk reported that he had been in communication with the other Local Authorities interested in the schemes and had found that they were in favour of a conference being held. The committee accordingly instructed the Clerk to arrange for a conference being held on Monday, 12th proximo.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES BY THE COUNTY CLERK

ON THE

Housing, Town Planning, &c. (Scotland), Bill, 1919.

This Bill, which is entitled "A Bill to amend the enactments relating to Housing, Town Planning, and the acquisition of Small Dwellings in Scotland," has been introduced in the House of Commons by the Secretary for Scotland.

It is divided into five parts.

Part I amends the law relating to housing of the working class.

Part II deals with Town Planning.

Part III amends the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899.

Part IV contains provisions relating to the improvements of existing houses; the making of bye-laws; and also contains provisions relating to the accommodation which new houses are to provide.

Part V is general; deals with repeals of existing legislation; limits the effect of the Bill to Scotland; and states how the new Act and the existing Housing Acts may be cited.

PART I.

Housing.

Clause 1.—There is laid on every Local Authority within the meaning of Part III of Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, the duty of considering the needs of their district with respect to the provision of houses for the working classes; and within three months after the passing of the Act, and as often as occasion arises, the Local Authority is to prepare and submit to the Local Government Board for Scotland (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") a scheme for the exercise of their powers under Part III of the Act of 1890, Any scheme is to specify the number and nature of the houses to be provided by the Local Authority, the approximate extent of land to be acquired and the localities in which land is to be acquired, and the time within which the scheme or any part thereof is to be carried into effect.

The Board may approve of the scheme or any part thereof, or may modify it, and the scheme or part thereof when so approved is to be binding on the Local Authority. If the Board consider the scheme inadequate they may refuse approval, and require the Local Authority to submit an adequate scheme within a time fixed by the Board; or they may approve the scheme subject to the preparation and submission of a further scheme within a limited time.

Whenever the Board think that occasion has arisen for the preparation of a new scheme, they are to give notice to that effect to the Local Authority, and thereupon an occasion shall be deemed to have arisen.

Where the Local Authorities concerned or the Board consider that a scheme should be made affecting the Districts of two or more Local Authorities, the Authorities are jointly to prepare a scheme which may provide for joint action by the Local Authorities and for the apportionment among the Authorities of the expenses of carrying the scheme into effect.

Local Authorities in preparing schemes, and the Board in approving them, are to have regard to proposals by other bodies or persons to provide housing accommodation.

Where proposals as to the provision of houses have been submitted to the Board by the Local Authority before the passing of the Act and approved by the Board, either before or after the passing of the Act, the Board may direct that these proposals should be treated as if they were schemes under the Act.

Clause 2.—It will be the duty of a Local Authority on which obligations are imposed by any scheme approved under Section I of the Act, to carry the scheme into execution within such time as may be specified under the scheme or as may be allowed by the Board.

Power of Board to act in place of Local Authorities.

Clause 3 empowers the Board to prepare and carry into execution a scheme where a Local Authority or, in cases where a joint scheme has been, or in the opinion of the Board ought to be, prepared, the Local Authorities concerned, have failed to fulfil their duty.

Expenses incurred by the Board will, in the first instance, be paid from moneys provided by Parliament, but will be recoverable from the Local Authority.

Clause 4.—Without prejudice to their present powers for enforcing the Housing Acts, which arise on complaint in a County area by a County Council, a Parish Council, or a Landward Committee of a Parish Council, or a specified number of householders, the Board, if satisfied that any Area within the District of a Local Authority should be dealt with under Part I or Part II of the Act of 1890, may require the Local Authority to make a scheme for the improvement of the Area, and if the Local Authority fail to do so within the time fixed, the Board may themselves carry out the scheme and recover the expenses from the Local Authority. This apparently enables the Board to act without the necessity of a formal complaint.

FINANCIAL PROVISIONS.

Clause 5.—If it appears to the Board that the carrying out of a scheme approved under Section I of the Act, or the carrying out of a rehousing scheme in connection with a scheme under Part I or Part II of the Act of 1890, or the carrying out of any Scheme approved by the Board for the provision of Houses for persons in the employment or paid by a County Council has resulted or is likely to result in a loss, the Board may, if the scheme is carried out within such period as may be specified by the Board, with the consent of the Treasury, pay or undertake to pay to the Local Authority or County Council out of moneys provided by Parliament, such part of the loss as may be determined to be so payable by regulations made by the Board, with the approval of the Treasury, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by these regulations.

Where a loan is made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners for the purpose of a scheme towards the loss on which the Board is liable to contribute under this clause, the loan is to be made on such terms and conditions as the Treasury may prescribe.

Where money is borrowed by a County Council for the purpose of the provision of houses for persons employed or paid by them or a District Committee, or of acquiring land for such houses, the period for repayment is extended to 80 years.

Loans made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners to a County Council for this purpose are to be made on the same terms and conditions as a loan to a Local Authority under the Housing Acts.

ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF LAND.

Clause 7.—The Compensation to be made for land included in any scheme under Part I or Part II of the Act of 1890 (other than land included only for the purpose of making a scheme efficient and not on account of the sanitary condition of the premises thereon, or of those premises being dangerous or prejudicial to health), and acquired compulsorily is to be fixed, including the premises thereon, which are in an insanitary condition or dangerous or prejudicial to health, at the value at the time when the valuation is made of the land as a site cleared of buildings and available for development in accordance with the Building Regulations for the time being in force in the District. In so far as the scheme requires provision to be made for the rehousing of persons of the working classes on the site when cleared the compensation is to be the value at the time when the valuation is made of the land as a site for housing of the working classes. This basis of valuation is to supersede the basis laid down by Sections 21 and 41 of the Act of 1890.

Clause 8.—When an Order authorising a Local Authority to purchase land compulsorily for the purposes of Part III of the Act of 1890 has been made and confirmed, then, at any time after notice to treat has been served, the Local Authority may, after giving not less than 14 days' notice to the owner and occupier, enter on and take possession of the land without consent or compliance with the provisions of the Land Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845.

Clause 9 provides that the Board before confirming an Order for compulsory acquisition of land under the first schedule of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, where the Order is opposed shall consider the report of the person by whom, under paragraph 6 of the schedule, a public enquiry is held.

Clause 10 extends the power of Local Authorities regarding the acquisition of land and houses.

The powers of a Local Authority to acquire land for the purposes of Part III of the Act of 1890 which at present are confined to acquiring land for the immediate or prospective erection of houses for the working classes, the purchase or lease of houses for the working classes already or hereafter to be built and provided, and the purchase of existing houses from the Trustees of any lodging-houses for the working classes for the time being provided in any district by private subscriptions or otherwise are to include power to acquire houses or other buildings on the land proposed to be acquired, and any right or interest in any houses which might be made suitable as houses for the working classes; and the Local Authority are to have power to alter, enlarge, repair, or improve such houses or buildings to render them fit for habitation as houses for the working classes.

The purposes for which land may be acquired under Part III of the Act of 1890, are to include the leasing or feuing of land, with a view to the erection thereon of houses for the working classes *by persons other than the Local Authority*, and also the leasing or feuing of any part of the land acquired with a view to the use thereof for purposes, which, in the opinion of the Local Authority, are necessary or desirable for, or incidental to, the development of the land as a building estate.

These powers are very important and may be construed to enable a Local Authority to acquire land with a view to its utilisation by builders or others, and also to feu the land acquired for dwelling-houses for the erection of better-class houses, shops, or any other class of building.

Clause 11.—Where a Local Authority have, under Section 4 of the Act of 1890, passed a resolution for improving an unhealthy area, or under Section 39 of the Act of 1890, passed a resolution directing a scheme to be prepared for the reconstruction of an area, the Local Authority may, with consent of the Board, acquire any lands included within the area in advance of the scheme.

Clause 12 authorises heirs of entail to sell grounds for housing purposes, without the long and expensive procedure now necessary in such case.

Clause 13 gives Local Authorities powers of dealing with lands acquired by laying out streets or roads and open spaces, by leasing or feuing the land, or any part to any person, under the condition that that person will erect and maintain such number of houses for the working classes as may be fixed by the Local Authority in accordance with plans approved by them, and, when necessary, will lay out and construct public streets or roads and open spaces, or, if the Board consent, will develop the land as a building estate in accordance with plans approved by the Local Authority.

The Local Authority may, with consent of the Board, sell or exchange land, and may, with consent of the Board, sell or lease any houses on the land or erected by them on the land, subject to such conditions, restrictions, and stipulations as they may think fit to impose, either in regard to the maintenance of the houses as houses for the working classes, or otherwise in regard to the use of the houses.

Where land is feued or leased by the Local Authority, subject to conditions as to its use for buildings or otherwise, the feu charter or lease is to contain such provisions as may be necessary to secure compliance with the conditions and to limit the amount of the rent to be charged in respect of the land, or any part thereof, or in respect of the houses erected thereon, and the Local Authority may contribute or agree to contribute towards the expenses of the development of the land, and the laying out of streets and roads, if such streets and roads are dedicated to the public use.

Lands sold, feued, or leased are to be sold, feued, or leased on the best terms available, and any money received from sales, feus, or leases, is to be applied towards the purchase of other land or the repayment of borrowed money.

This clause gives a Local Authority a comparatively free hand in dealing with land, it enables it to acquire land and re-sell it to third parties for the erection of houses, and also authorises a Local Authority to sell houses which have been erected by them, subject to adequate safeguards that the tenants of these will not be exploited.

Provisions for Encouraging the Provision of Houses by Public Utility Societies and Housing Trusts.

Clause 14 authorises a Local Authority within the meaning of Part III of the Act of 1890, or a County Council, to promote the formation or extension of Public Utility Societies whose objects include the erection, improvement, or management of houses for the working classes.

The powers granted to a Local Authority include powers to:—

(*a*) make grants or loans to the society:

(*b*) subscribe for any share or loan capital of the society: and

(*c*) guarantee, or join in guaranteeing, the payment of interest on money borrowed by the society, or of any share or loan capital issued by the society;

on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise and on such security as the Local Authority or Council think fit.

Expenses incurred by the Local Authority are to be defrayed as expenses of a Local Authority under Part III of the Act. In the case of a County Council the expenses are to be defrayed out of the General Purposes Rate, but the County Council is not to have power to assess the ratepayers of a Police Burgh for the purpose.

Where money is borrowed for the purpose of this clause, the maximum period of repayment is to be fifty years.

This is a most important clause, and enables the County Council to subsidise Public Utility Societies to practically an unlimited extent. The reference to a Local Authority within the meaning of Part III of the principal Act is general, but can, it is thought, in this and certain other Clauses, only refer to Burgh Authorities, as a County Council is the only Local Authority in a county empowered to raise money by loan. The advances to be made to Public Utility Societies by a County Council are, it is to be observed, subject to regulations or conditions made by or imposed by the Board. It will be important to secure that these regulations are sufficiently wide.

Clause 15 authorises the Local Government Board to contribute towards the costs incurred by Public Utility Societies or Housing Trusts in carrying out schemes for the provision of houses for the working classes which have been approved by the Board. These contributions will be given under regulations to be made by the Board, with the approval of the Treasury.

Clause 16 extends the scope of Sub-Section I, of Clause 67 of the Act of 1890, which deals with advances by the Public Works Loan Commissioners to Public Utility Societies, and enables the Public Works Loan Commissioners to advance money on loan to Public Utility Societies for the purchase of houses which may be made suitable as houses for the working classes, and to the development of land by the society. It also extends the period of repayment for loans from 40 to 50 years, and authorises the lending of money on heritable security under registered lease, where the period of the lease exceeds the period fixed for repayment by not less than 10 years.

During such period as may be specified by the Board, with consent of the Treasury, the money advanced on heritable security on any lands or dwellings solely, is not to exceed 75 per cent. of the purchase price of the land and the cost of the developments and of the houses proposed to be burdened with the heritable security.

Provision is made for advances being given from time to time by instalment, in respect of the price of the land and the erection of houses, as building progresses.

Relaxation of Building Regulations.

Clause 17 contains provisions for the relaxation of building regulations where a scheme is being carried out, and buildings being erected and streets or roads laid out in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Board. It also enables a similar relaxation to be made in favour of persons erecting buildings or laying out roads or streets otherwise than under a scheme approved by the Board, if the Local Authority are satisfied that such relaxation goes no further than the relaxation granted in the case of the plans and specifications approved by the Board.

Where the Board are themselves carrying a Housing Scheme into execution they are not to require the authority of the Local Authority or the Dean of Guild Court for the construction of buildings or laying out of streets and roads.

The Housing Schemes to which the relaxations are to apply are schemes prepared by Local Authorities individually or jointly under the Housing Act or by a Public Utility Society or Housing Trust and approved by the Board, and schemes prepared and carried out by the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Clause 18 prohibits the re-letting of houses in respect of which a Closing Order is in force.

Clause 19 enables arrangements to be made between the Board and other Government Departments for the execution and performance of their powers mutually.

Clause 20 enables a Local Authority of any district other than a Burgh to obtain an Order from the Board declaring that Part I of the Act of 1890, which deals with unhealthy areas, is to apply to their district.

Clause 21 provides for minor amendments of the Housing Acts.

Clause 22.—Provides that the Act is to be construed as one with the Act of 1890, and contains definitions.

PART II.

TOWN PLANNING.

Clause 23.—Authorises an Authority to prepare and adopt a Town Planning Scheme without the Authority of the Board, by means of a Resolution notified to the Board. If the Resolution extends to land not within the District of the Local Authority the Resolution must be approved by the Board. Provision is also made by the Clause for joint action on the part of two or more Local Authorities.

Clause 24 extends power to the Board to make regulations under Section 56 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, and includes power to make regulations as to procedure consequent on the action of the Local Authority under the preceding clause.

Clause 25 repeals the proviso under Sub-Section 4 of Section 54 and the proviso of Sub-Section 2 of Section 55 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, relating to the publication and laying before Parliament of Town Planning Schemes.

Clause 26 empowers the Board by Special or General Order to provide that where a Resolution to provide a Town Planning Scheme is to be passed, or the preparation or adoption of a Town Planning Scheme has been authorised, the development of estates and building operations may be permitted to proceed, subject to conditions.

Clause 27 makes certain consequential and minor amendments on the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909.

PART III.

AMENDMENT OF SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACT, 1899.

Clause 28 amends the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Act, 1899.

Instead of the Local Authority being empowered to advance four-fifths of the value of the house, they are now to be entitled to advance 85 per cent. of the value. The limit of £300 as the maximum amount of an advance has also be done away with, and the value of the house which may be acquired is increased from £400 to £500, so that the maximum loan which the Local Authority can now give is £425 instead of £300. It is for consideration whether the limit should not be very substantially increased.

PART IV.

IMPROVEMENT OF HOUSING.

Clause 29 substitutes a new Section for Section 125 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, regarding the provision of water supply for houses in districts other than burghs.

Clause 30 empowers a Local Authority of a district other than a burgh to call for the provision of water-closets for each house, or part of house, occupied by a separate family, and in the event of this being impracticable to call for the provision of earth-closets.

Clause 31 provides for additional Bye-Laws being made in districts other than burghs regarding buildings, and extends the scope of the matters for which Bye-Laws may be made. The approval of the County Council is to be no longer necessary for such Bye-Laws.

It is suggested that power should be conferred to enable existing houses to be improved, and advances made to Owners to permit of this, subject to some such limits as in the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, as proposed to be amended.

Clause 32 provides that no new houses are to be erected without the consent of the Local Authority *containing less than three apartments.* It also contains provisions for Bye-laws being made regulating the occupancy of houses of one or two apartments, and prescribing, in accordance with a cubic space standard, the number of adult persons and children who may occupy such houses.

Clause 33 relates to the provision of accommodation for seasonal workers.

PART V.

GENERAL.

Clause 34 contains repeals.

Clause 35 limits the Act to Scotland.

Clause 36 provides the method of citation of the new Act and the previous Acts.

Annexed to the Bill are three Schedules.

The first Schedule contains amendments as to the procedure under Part I and Part II of the Act of 1890, and minor amendments of the Housing Acts.

The second Schedule contains minor and consequential amendments of the provisions of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, relating to Town Planning.

The third Schedule contains repeals.

Altogether the Bill is a most important one, not only on account of the extended powers which it gives to Local Authorities in connection with the provision of houses themselves, but also on account of the large and new powers which it gives to Local Authorities of assisting and co-operating with private individuals and Public Utility Societies in providing houses.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 28th April, 1919.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd April, 1919.

Present—

Thomas Arnot.	Robert Lambie.
J. Raeside Auld.	William Love.
A. H. J. Briggs.	A. D. Mack.
James Cameron.	Peter MacAuslan.
George Fraser.	Alexander Pillans.
William Gardner.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Gavin Hamilton.	Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
John Hurll.	Joseph Sullivan, M.B.E.
Alexander A. Keith.	

David Thomson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th February, 1919, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

There was submitted a letter, dated 15th March, 1919, from Dr. Robert Richards, Assistant Medical Officer of Health and Tuberculosis Officer for the County, intimating his resignation, and stating that he had arranged to start practice in Aberdeen at an early date. Resignation of Dr. Robert Richards as Assistant Medical Officer.

As relative thereto, the Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the County Medical Officer, stating that he was anxious to have the vacancy filled up at the earliest possible moment, and suggesting that the salary be £400, rising on approved service to £500 per annum. The meeting approved, and, in accordance with previous arrangements, agreed to ask the District Committee of the Lower Ward to nominate a successor.

Scottish National Congress on After-the-War Housing Schemes.

There was submitted a communication from the Joint Secretaries of the Scottish National Housing and Town Planning Committee, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the Scottish National Congress on After-the-War Housing Schemes, to be held in Edinburgh on 1st and 2nd May next. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Chairman and Mr. David Thomson, along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to attend the Congress.

Annual Congress of Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland.

There was also submitted a communication from the Secretary of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the 45th Annual Congress of the Association, to be held in Perth on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th September next. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Chairman, Mr. Auld, Mr. Pillans, and Mr. Shanks, along with the Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to attend the Congress.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, as follows:—

No.	Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
242	Charles Burns, Milkseller, 18 Colebrooke Street, Cambuslang	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 29 per cent., and in milk fat 20 per cent.	Convicted and fined £10 or 20 days.
274	Hugh Wilson, Dairyman, Montgomery Street, Larkhall	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 12 per cent., and artificially coloured by annatto	Convicted and fined £5 or 10 days.
3	John Batters, Midtown Farm, Coalburn	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 4 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £2.
4	Do. do.	Do. 6 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £2.
8	James Wyllie, Winkinfield Farm, Darvel	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 3 per cent., and in milk solids 16 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £10 or 20 days.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.—Letter from Mr. A. Patrick Smith regarding work done by lady Inspectors.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. A. Patrick Smith, of Messrs. T. J. & W. A. Dykes, Writers, Hamilton, the legal agents for the Council in connection with prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, making complimentary reference to the work done by the lady Inspectors under the Acts, so far as Court procedure is concerned.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts. — Application by Analysts for Burgh of Wishaw for increase in fees.

There was submitted a letter, dated 28th March, 1919, from Messrs. R. R. Tatlock & Thomson, Analysts for the Burgh of Wishaw under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, making application for an increase in the fees payable to them for the analysis of samples under these Acts. The Clerk again submitted the statement containing a synopsis of information received from other Local Authorities in Scotland as to the fees payable to their respective Analysts under the Acts referred to, and stated that the Analysts for the Burgh were presently paid a retaining fee of £2 2s. per annum, and 10s. 6d. for each analysis. The meeting agreed to delay consideration of the matter meantime.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c,

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and the District Committee of the Middle Ward appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destruction Works at Cambuslang. — 2nd April, 1919

Present—

Robert Lambie.
William Love.
William Walker.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.

Attending—

W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding. — Chairman

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 15th January, 1919, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — Minutes of last meeting.

There was submitted to the meeting report by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., of date 17th March, 1919, relating to the boilers, from which it appeared that the boilers had been inspected on 22nd February, 1919, and found to be in good working order. — Engines and boilers.

The Clerk submitted and read an application from A. H. Dobbin & Co., Drapers, Main Street, Cambuslang, for a special rate for electrical energy consumed in their premises, in respect that they are large users of current, and that part of the supply is taken from the day load. The committee, having fully considered the matter, were of opinion that present circumstances did not justify a special rate being granted in the meantime, and resolved accordingly. — Application for special rate for electrical energy for lighting.

2nd April, 1919.

Applications for services.

Applications were also submitted and read from Thomas Carrigan and James Maxwell to have the light installed into their houses at Howieshill Road, Cambuslang. In view, however, of the cost of cabling this road being out of all proportion to the revenue likely to be derived from consumers, the committee, after hearing the Engineer, felt they would not be justified in laying down cables meantime.

Application for service.

An application was also submitted and read from Rosa Salvatore, Ice-cream Merchant, for a service to his new premises in Park Street. It having been pointed out that there is no domestic cable in this street, and no likelihood of any other applications being made, it was agreed that a service could not be granted, as the revenue return would be infinitesimal compared with the capital outlay.

Application to have cable laid in Whitefield Avenue.

A letter was submitted and read from A. N. Deighton, Whitefield Avenue, asking that a domestic cable be laid in that avenue. It was explained that, at present, Mr. Deighton is being supplied from the street lighting cable, and that he finds this to be inconvenient, as he is deprived of light when the lamps are switched off at night. The cost of laying sufficient cable to meet domestic requirements in this avenue is estimated by the Resident Engineer at £350. The committee, in view of the estimated return submitted to them, regretted they could not see their way to accede to Mr. Deighton's request meantime, but remitted to the Engineer to inquire whether any additional houses were likely to take the light, in which event the matter could be reconsidered.

Contract rate for mixed purposes.

The Clerk submitted a list of consumers using light and power through the same meter, who have made application to be put on contract rates. The meeting confirmed the following terms in each case as proposed by the Clerk:—

T. R. Park—for first 280 units 6d. per unit per annum, over 280 units $2\frac{3}{4}$d. per unit per annum.

R. Park—for first 200 units 6d. per unit per annum, over 200 units $2\frac{3}{4}$d. per unit per annum.

Mrs. Gunn—for first 130 units 6d. per unit per annum, over 130 units $2\frac{3}{4}$d. per unit per annum;

all to be subject to any alterations that may be imposed on the rates for energy from time to time.

Damage to railing.

A report from the Resident Engineer was submitted, stating (1) that the iron railing behind the Silverbanks property adjoining the Quarry had been damaged, and estimates had been taken to have same repaired; and (2) that the entrance gate to the weighbridge had been damaged, but was now having attention.

Application for shorter hours and increase of wages.

There were submitted to the meeting application from the workmen for a 48-hour working week, with the same wages as paid for a 56-hour working week, and also for an increase in the wages at present paid. The committee, after a full discussion and exchange of views, agreed that the Clerk should make inquiry on points that had emerged in the discussion, and that he should thereafter interview the employees and deal with the applications in the light of this information and of his experience in industrial questions.

The Clerk having laid before the meeting estimates for cable, the meeting authorised the acceptance of the offer of W. T. Henley's Ltd., amounting to £78 15s. Tenders for cable.

The Clerk was authorised to apply for the consent of the Secretary for Scotland to the borrowing of a sum of £1,000 on account of further capital requirements for consumers' connections, &c. Borrowing.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the Works Record (Appendix). Works Record.

Attention having been drawn to the present rates charged for recharging accumulators at the works, it was agreed that the price be increased from 1s. to 1s. 6d., and that the price for acid refills remain as at present, viz., 3d. Prices for charging accumulators, &c.

It was also agreed that the rate to be charged for the undertakings' workmen repairing fuses should be increased from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d., and, when the distance warranted, 4s. Rates to be charged for workmen repairing fuses.

APPENDIX.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending 1918.	Units generated. Refuse.	Units generated. Coal.	Units sold. Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used, in Gallons.	Coal used. T. C. Q.	Refuse destroyed. T. C. Q.	Units bought. Clyde Valley	Total Units generated.	Total Units corresponding period last year.
May 25	585	1,322	48	95	47,863	7 7 0	113 19 0	36	2,043	2,467
June 1	660	1,121	48	94	44,173	7 7 0	86 0 0	118	1,899	2,018
,, 8*	—	1,664	48	93	22,277	15 12 2	13 16 0*	10	1,674	2,107
,, 15	756	935	48	82	34,770	6 13 0	119 14 0	18	1,709	1,962
,, 22	934	1,030	48	80	38,920	6 2 2	118 1 2	—	1,964	1,965
,, 29	1,150	669	48	69	36,720	4 11 0	114 17 0	—	1,819	1,741
July 6	819	861	48	63	35,060	5 1 2	110 11 2	—	1,680	1,524
,, 13	870	908	48	71	29,810	5 15 2	115 6 0	—	1,778	1,746
,, 20	367	935	48	48	30,649	5 19 0	83 17 0	—	1,309	1,184
,, 27	730	1,104	48	46	35,533	6 19 0	103 16 0	—	1,834	1,578
Aug. 3	534	1,182	48	46	32,815	8 5 2	106 6 2	—	1,716	1,932
,, 10	1,115	997	48	51	33,073	6 2 2	110 7 0	—	2,112	2,060
,, 17	964	1,155	48	58	33,159	7 14 0	96 14 0	—	2,119	2,126
,, 24	896	1,312	48	54	41,820	7 3 2	93 9 2	—	2,208	2,170
,, 31	1,200	1,282	48	64	44,840	7 0 0	111 1 0	—	2,482	2,579
Sept. 7	1,392	1,371	296	63	37,958	8 4 2	112 18 0	—	2,763	2,536
,, 14	1,422	1,700	439	64	57,510	9 9 0	115 19 0	71	3,183	2,983
,, 21	1,660	1,778	148	74	58,608	9 9 0	132 2 0	236	3,674	3,483
,, 28	1,582	2,048	688	88	61,456	11 4 0	111 13 0	—	3,630	3,889
Oct. 5	2,763	1,708	2,016	83	49,602	9 8 0	131 16 0	—	4,471	4,471
,, 12	2,898	1,961	2,200	83	45,280	10 6 2	145 14 0	—	4,859	5,297
,, 19	3,769	1,415	2,244	91	47,524	8 1 0	142 19 0	—	5,184	5,386
,, 26	4,209	1,152	2,361	85	45,954	6 6 0	135 0 0	—	5,361	5,774
Nov. 2	3,421	1,978	2,503	96	49,087	10 16 0	131 11 2	—	5,399	6,303
,, 9	4,108	1,472	2,590	122	55,907	8 1 0	153 1 0	—	5,580	6,714
,, 16	3,856	2,048	2,748	107	63,763	11 4 0	140 3 2	36	5,976	6,478
,, 23	4,964	1,793	2,921	123	54,565	5 19 2	159 13 0	36	6,793	6,387
,, 30	4,636	2,048	2,880	132	66,662	11 4 0	164 4 7	—	6,686	6,912
Dec. 7	4,662	1,984	3,074	128	61,025	10 7 0	147 6 2	—	6,646	7,387
,, 14	4,436	2,006	3,110	102	52,064	10 16 0	157 14 0	—	6,442	7,656
,, 21	5,357	1,888	3,001	104	55,656	10 6 2	164 9 0	63	7,308	8,033
,, 28	5,526	1,856	3,041	108	58,230	10 3 0	155 12 2	101	7,483	8,137
1919.										
Jan. 4	3,920	3,139	2,618	103	48,802	16 17 0	114 10 0	50	7,109	7,455
,, 11	5,155	1,850	2,662	85	59,029	10 15 2	182 10 2	77	7,084	7,822
,, 18	5,417	1,248	2,515	105	54,447	6 16 2	207 10 2	17	6,682	8,614
,, 25	4,756	2,184	2,428	112	56,100	12 11 0	162 1 0	72	7,012	7,711
Feb. 1	5,164	1,590	2,405	138	59,192	8 15 0	164 12 0	28	6,782	6,537
,, 8	5,553	1,280	2,317	131	62,432	7 0 0	164 18 2	37	6,870	5,420
,, 15	4,831	1,880	2,205	125	62,750	10 17 0	156 10 0	39	6,750	6,376
,, 22	5,399	1,474	2,190	128	70,605	8 4 2	170 3 0	—	6,873	5,911
March 1	4,671	1,253	2,000	116	63,150	6 16 2	150 4 2	28	5,952	5,877

* Denotes Destructor Overhaul.

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Resident Engineer.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION AFTER THE WAR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 2nd April, 1919, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Reconstruction. 2nd April, 1919.

Present--

John Adam.
James Cameron.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William K. Jackson.
James C. Pollok.
Col. Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.
Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

John A. Warren, C.E., of Messrs. Warren & Stuart.
Hugh Begg, County Veterinary Inspector.
W. E. Whyte, O.B.E., Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
J. G. Kennedy, as representing James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
William Meek, Road Surveyor, Lanark.
James Watson, Road Surveyor, Strathaven.
Robert Spittal, Road Surveyor, Hamilton
W. A. Chapman, D.S.O., Road Surveyor, Airdrie.

Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. Chairman

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 10th January last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Chairman reported that, when in London recently in connection with the Road Transport Bill, he, along with Mr. Adam, had had an informal talk with Sir Rhys Williams and General Maybury, who had both expressed satisfaction with the proposals which this County Council had in contemplation. Interview with Sir Rhys Williams and General Maybury.

The Clerk stated that he had received from Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E., reports and plans which had been prepared under the remit made to them at the last meeting, and that he had sent prints of the reports (Appendices I, II, and III) to each member of the sub-committee. Reports by Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.

Through Traffic Report.

The Clerk submitted, for the information of the committee, Report No. 1 relative to through traffic on the County roads and railways, together with plan showing main roads, railways, rivers, canals, and tramways throughout the County.

Proposed light railway.

The committee thereafter proceeded to consider Report No. 3, together with plans, of the proposed light railway (*a*) from Strathaven *via* Chapelton, East Kilbride, and Carmunnock, with (*b*) a branch or loop from Chapelton *via* Eaglesham and Mearns to Glasgow. Mr. Warren having explained several points on which the committee desired additional information, particularly with regard to the cost of construction, and as to development which might be expected in the area in which the lines were proposed to be laid, the Clerk submitted and read a communication, together with statistical tables, which he had received from Mr. Hugh Begg, County Veterinary Inspector, and which showed that in the area which would be served by the proposed branch line from Chapelton to Eaglesham and Mearns there were 144 farms, with, approximately, 3,710 milch cows, and an estimated milk production of 5,084 gallons per day, or 1,855,000 gallons per annum.

The Clerk explained generally the powers which the County Council had as to the construction of light railways, and of the procedure which would be necessary in the event of the Council themselves deciding to carry out the scheme. He also explained that, if the committee felt that they could not undertake the construction of the proposed railway, they could put forward the proposal to the Government as a scheme which they considered was essential for the purposes of development.

Motion by Mr. Sullivan.

After an interchange of views, and the committee having been reminded of the question of the nationalisation of railways which had been before the Government since the remit was made to this committee, Mr. Sullivan moved, seconded by Mr. Pollok, that this committee recommend that a representation be made to the Government urging the desirability of the State providing railway facilities, with a view to the development of the districts concerned. By way

Amendment by Mr. Adam.

of amendment, Mr. Adam moved that the matter be continued for further consideration, and that, meantime, the Road Surveyors be approached, through the respective Clerks to the District Committees, with a view to their submitting reports and estimates as to the cost of improving the highways for the purpose of carrying all classes of heavy traffic and, particularly, motor

Amendment carried.

traffic. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Cameron. On a vote having been taken, by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the amendment, which was accordingly declared carried.

Strathaven-Kirkmuirhill Highway.—Proposed road diversion at Craigbridge.

The Clerk submitted Report No. 2, with plans, relative to the proposed diversion of the Strathaven-Kirkmuirhill Road at Craigbridge. The meeting, after consideration, and after hearing a statement by Mr. Warren, were of opinion that, in the event of the diversion being carried out, that referred to the report as No. 11 should be adopted. The committee, however, agreed to continue the matter for further consideration, and meantime instructed Mr. Warren to submit new estimates in connection with diversion No. 11, to allow for the roadway having a width of 25 feet instead of 22 feet 6 inches allowed for in the present estimate. The committee were also agreed as to the necessity of having the Strathaven-Kirkmuirhill Highway improved in order to divert, so far as possible, part of the through traffic from the north and south, which was meantime carried on the two main highways to the south, *i.e.*, *via*

(1) Larkhall and Lesmahagow, and (2) Dalserf and Lanark, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Road Surveyors, through the Clerks to the District Committees, with a view to their submitting reports and estimates as to the cost which would be involved in improving the highway, so far as within their respective districts.

Canalisation of River Clyde.—Private letter from Warren & Stuart, C.E.

There was laid before the meeting a copy of a communication (Appendix IV), which had been sent to Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart by Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E., with reference to the canalisation of the River Clyde. The meeting, after consideration, and having heard a statement by Mr. Warren as to the practicability of the scheme, inclined to the view that the proposal was one of national, rather than of local, importance, and, as such, that it should be brought before the notice of the Government. Before coming to a definite decision in the matter, however, it was agreed that an endeavour should be made to meet with the Clyde Trustees and the Corporation of Glasgow, and also with the Burgh of Rutherglen.

Railway facilities in Harthill District

Attention having been again directed to the want of travelling facilities in the Harthill district, the Clerk was instructed to arrange for Mr. Scott, C.E., County Engineer, to make a survey of the district, and to submit a report.

Communications from Upper and Lower Wards as to work to be undertaken on roads and bridges, &c., during 1919.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting communications from the Clerks to the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees, together with reports by the Road Surveyors, relative to the work on roads and bridges proposed to be undertaken in their districts during the current year.

APPENDIX I.

Copy of Communication from Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.

No. 1.

THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

94 HOPE STREET,
GLASGOW, 10*th March*, 1919.

GENTLEMEN,

COUNTY ROADS AND RAILWAYS.

Through Traffic.

In terms of your instructions to us, we have pleasure in submitting a Skeleton Plan of the County of Lanark, showing the Main or Through Roads, Railways, Tramways, Bus Routes, Rivers, and Canals. The plan submitted herewith is a photo. print of a tracing to the scale of 1 inch to the mile, and is not so clear as a lithograph copy would be, but we have deemed it advisable to submit the photo. print in the first instance, and if clearer copies are required they can be lithographed with little delay, at a cost of £12 to £14.

In the matter of population and industries Lanarkshire is much the most important County in Scotland, and the development of transport facilities in and through the County is a question of the first importance, outstanding in respect of three conditions, viz. :—

1. The geographical position of the County on the main route of road and railway thoroughfare from most parts of England to the north ;
2. Its geographical position in relation to east and west traffic ; and
3. The relative position of the City of Glasgow at the north-west extremity of the County, and of the densely populated and highly industrialised portions of the Middle and Lower Wards, with their constant stream of outward and inward traffic.

Traffic within and through the County may be classified as (1) local traffic and (2) through traffic, and we understand it is transport for the latter class of traffic we have to deal with, and our observations are, therefore, limited to that part of the question of transport.

On the south, south-east, and south-west the County of Lanark marches with the County of Dumfries; on the west with the Counties of Ayr and Renfrew; on the north-west with the County of the City of Glasgow; on the north with the Counties of Dumbarton and Stirling; and on the east with the Counties of Linlithgow, Edinburgh, and Peebles.

The through traffic may for convenience be classified as (1) north and south traffic and (2) east and west traffic. Of these two the former, as through traffic distinguished from local traffic, is much the more important, and is destined to become more so, if the traffic of motor vehicles is to develop in the manner anticipated.

North and south traffic in relation to Lanarkshire is largely influenced by the configuration of the country. The Solway makes a deep indentation into the land from the west, and this diverts much of the north-going traffic to the east, so as to clear the upper reaches of the Solway Firth. Drivers going north of the Forth from Carlisle have then to determine whether they will take the Great North Road, via Langholm, Hawick, Galashiels, and Edinburgh, which lands them at South Queensferry, and necessitates a ferry passage across the Forth; or whether they will take the west route, which leads through Dumfriesshire and Lanarkshire to Stirling, where the Forth is bridged. The route followed by this north-going traffic, north of Carlisle, is mainly determined by the ultimate destination. If it is to the north-west or to Mid-Scotland, the west route through Lanarkshire will be selected, while traffic destined for the north-east will tend to follow the Great North Road to the east. But the obstacle at South Queensferry will undoubtedly divert to the Lanarkshire route some of the traffic which, but for the ferry passage at Queensferry, would follow the Great North Road, and so emphasises the importance of the north and south traffic through Lanarkshire, and at once makes the maintenance and improvement of that route a matter especially of national, rather than local, interest.

In addition to this through traffic to and from the north, a large amount of traffic to the industrial part of Lanarkshire and to Glasgow and the Clyde Ports will also pass through Lanarkshire; but so far as this is heavy traffic it will, we should say, come mainly by rail.

With regard to heavy traffic this route is fortunately well served by the Caledonian and London and North-Western Railways. The Glasgow and South-Western and Midland Railways also take their share through Ayrshire to the west; and we do not think heavy motor traffic can compete with the railways, so far as through traffic of this class is concerned. This view, though backed by the greater weight of expert opinion, is necessarily speculative. If it did not prove correct, the County would have a very heavy burden to face, for we are satisfied that many miles of the main roads in the County are not bottomed in a way to enable them to carry heavy motor traffic, and reconstruction to make them capable of carrying a highly developed motor service would involve a very great expenditure. To bottom efficiently a road which is not bottomed means really making a new road, for the whole existing road would have to be lifted, excavations for bottoming taken out, and bottoming and metal laid down and rolled. Where the surface has been tar-macadamed it also has to be scrapped to a large extent. The land and fencing is available, and the metal may be screened and used again, but with these exceptions the alteration means a new road.

Assuming that a tar-macadam road could be made to carry heavy motor traffic, a new road, 20 feet wide, bottomed with 10 inches of bottoming and 4 inches of water-bound metal, will cost £4,500 per mile, exclusive of land and fencing. This cost will vary by a small percentage, less or more, according as good material for bottoming and metal can be got close at hand or not.

While our view is that there will not be any great development of heavy motor traffic, the industrial motor is likely to be used largely in industrial areas, and within some range to be determined the road will have to be strengthened to carry them, either by putting in bottoming where there is none, or even by causewaying over a concrete foundation, and to this extent the through roads will be affected by such heavy traffic.

But you have to anticipate a great development of light motor traffic, and it is frequently said that what the light car

loses by weight in destructive capacity it makes up for in speed. This, however, is not quite the case, because the lighter traffic can be dealt with by surfacing the road with tar-macadam, or tar spraying, and does not necessarily involve reconstruction with bottoming.

We think it is acknowledged that so far tar spraying over a well-metalled road, with a good curvature to shed water to the sides, is the best form of road surface which can be adopted to meet the wear and tear of fast motor traffic, and you will probably have to face this question of surfacing the through roads, which have to carry that traffic over long distances.

The main objection which can be raised to a tar-macadam surface is that in wet and frosty weather the surface becomes slippery for horsed traffic, but this can be met by gritting the surface with small whin or granite chips.

The main north and south roads through Lanarkshire will, in all probability, divide the traffic between them in about equal proportions.

We are not attempting in this report to deal with local traffic. That part of the question can be more effectively dealt with by the District Road Surveyors, who possess local knowledge of the circumstances, and have, no doubt, been dealing with the growing and prospective demands on their roads in the industrial areas.

But, in this connection, we may be allowed to make a suggestion. So far as we are aware, road foundations of reinforced concrete as a substitute for handset bottoming have not been tried in this country. For some years past such foundations have been adopted in America, and good results have been reported. The advantage of reinforced concrete is its great strength, resistance, and resilience, especially over a wet subsoil. One of the districts might, with advantage, be induced to lay down an experimental stretch of road, with a foundation of reinforced concrete, where the road is to be subject to exceptional loads, and preferably where the subsoil is treacherous.

This question is, in our view, one of the greatest importance in its relation to road development where roads are to be exposed to the wear and tear of heavy motor traffic. Macadamised roads even with hand-set bottoming are not adapted to the carriage of heavy

motor traffic in this climate. On public works we have had opportunities of observing the effect of such traffic—running sometimes to 800 tons a month—on well-formed macadamed roads with hand-set bottoming. Such roads during the winter months, when they are subject to the effects of alternate frost and thaw, have to be surfaced almost constantly. We cannot say from actual experience what the result would be if tar-macadam in place of water-bound macadam had been adopted, but our view is that it would have made little difference. Nothing short of a well-causewayed surface, preferably over a concrete foundation, would stand traffic of this kind.

The following is a list of the main roads in Lanarkshire affected by this stream of north and south through traffic:—

1. Carlisle to Glasgow, via Crawford, Douglas, Lesmahagow, Larkhall, and Hamilton.
2. Carlisle to Glasgow, via Crawford, Lamington, Symington, Lanark, Dalserf, and Hamilton.
3. Thornhill to Glasgow, via Crawfordjohn.
4. Sanquhar to Stirling, via Wanlockhead, Leadhills, and Abington.
5. Branch from Lanark, via Carluke, Newmains, and Denny, to Stirling.
6. Carlisle to Edinburgh, via Lamington, Biggar, Symington, and Morningside.
7. Muirkirk to Glasgow, via Strathaven and East Kilbride.
8. Glasgow to Stirling, via Cumbernauld Road.
9. Glasgow to Kilsyth and Stirling, via Kirkintilloch Road.
10. Glasgow to Aberfoyle and West Higlands, via Lambhill Road and Milngavie.

The east and west traffic to Lanarkshire is, in the matter of railways especially, in striking contrast to the north and south traffic. To and from the west the railway traffic by the two existing railways, viz., Ayr and Muirkirk to Lanark, and Kilmarnock and Darvel to Strathaven, is almost a dead letter. This we should not attribute so much to the want of traffic, either passenger or goods, as to the competitive railway system. In summer time at least passenger traffic to the Ayrshire Coast could be developed, and coal and other goods could with advantage be taken direct

to the Ayrshire ports. If we are right in attributing the lack of traffic to the competitive railway system, then Government control or the nationalisation of railways may effect a cure. In either case it is for the County Authorities to make representations, even if their only interest is that of their constituents, and the occasion for making such representations seems to have arrived.

The same observations apply to the railway traffic going east from Lanarkshire, except where the railway lines are wholly in the hands of one company.

East and west through traffic on the main roads is not likely to be of the same character as that north and south. It is drawn from more limited and less populous areas, and it is not so much concentrated. It is, nevertheless, likely to be considerable. An exception has to be made of the Cumbernauld Road which, besides carrying north and south traffic to and from Stirling and the North, carries east and west traffic to and from Falkirk and Edinburgh.

The following is a list of the main roads in Lanarkshire carrying east and west traffic:—

1. Glasgow to Edinburgh, via Cumbernauld and Falkirk.
2. Do. do. via Coatbridge, Airdrie, and Bathgate.
3. Do. do. via Uddingston, Holytown, and Harthill.
4. Do. do. via Motherwell, Wishaw, and Kirknewton.
5. Do. Stirling, via Kirkintilloch and Kilsyth.
6. Do. Peebles, via Carluke and Carnwath.
7. Kilmarnock-Edinburgh, via East Kilbride, Hamilton, and Motherwell.
8. Do. do. via Strathaven, Stonehouse, and Wishaw.
9. Ayr do. via Muirkirk, Douglas, Carnwath, and Colinton.

The lines of main roads in the County are, on the whole, well laid out with due regard to the shortest route and contours of the country, and we do not see where any new route on an extensive scale can be suggested as a desirable alternative to any

of the existing through roads. We are satisfied that money can be spent to greater advantage by widening, strengthening, straightening, and improving the existing main roads and bridges, than by creating new alternative routes.

Generally, gradients and quick bends should be improved, and, where possible, the reverse approaches to the quicker bends should be opened up, so that traffic approaching from the one side would not be obscured from that approaching from the other side of the bend.

At bends the effect of fast traffic is particularly destructive to a water-bound macadam road, and we suggest that, in addition to tar-spraying the surface, one of the better forms of tar-bound macadam should be laid down at all quick bends on main roads.

Some useful experiments on roads in Scotland have been made at the instance of the Road Board. The tests are being made with eight different kinds of tar-macadam and tar-spraying. The report on the results is at present in the printer's hands, and should afford much useful information when it is available.

The two canals in the County of Lanark, viz., the Forth and Clyde Canal and the Monkland Canal, both belong to and are managed by the Caledonian Railway Company.

Compared with roads and railways as carriers of through traffic, they are not under present conditions serious competitors. They provide, however, a useful water-carriage service for the industries located on the canal banks, and they afford an outlet by water to the ports of Bowling and Grangemouth. There is no doubt, that by adopting some form of mechanical or electric-motive power to replace horse-haulage, and so increasing moderately the speed of the barges, their use can be greatly developed; but whether they can by this means be made capable of competing with railways is a question on which a great deal of controversial evidence has been led, and need not be included within the scope of this Report.

The point we desire to call attention to is that the canal bridges as they exist at present form an obstacle to the road traffic. Many of the road bridges over the canals are narrow, want

strengthening, and are hopelessly out of date. Some of them, at least, carrying main thoroughfares should be replaced by one or other of the more efficient forms which are now available, depending, so far as the bridges over the Forth and Clyde Canal are concerned, whether they have to be raised by hand or whether electric current is available for motive power.

The bridges over the Monkland Canal are fixed bridges, but in some cases it might be found that the road approaches could be improved by lowering the bridges and converting them into lifting or swing bridges.

We have not attempted in the foregoing Report to deal with local improvements of the main roads. This matter is, we understand, in the hands of the District Road Surveyors, who are submitting to the respective District Committees their Reports, which are to be made available to the County Committee.

We are, GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servants,

WARREN & STUART,
MM.Inst.C.E.

APPENDIX II.

Copy of Communication from Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.

No. 2.

The Sub-Committee on Reconstruction
of the County Council
of the County of Lanark.

94 Hope Street,
Glasgow, 8*th March*, 1919.

Gentlemen,

KIRKMUIRHILL ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Proposed Road Diversion at Craigbridge.

In terms of your instructions to us, we have completed a survey of that part of the Strathaven-Kirkmuirhill Road in the neighbourhood of Craigbridge, and we beg leave to submit the following Report with Plan, Sections, and Estimates of two schemes of Road Diversion designed with a view to improving the curves and easing the gradients.

The distance from Strathaven to Kirkmuirhill is about seven miles. The road is not a trunk main, or through road, but it connects two through routes, viz., the main road from Glasgow to Muirkirk and the main road from Glasgow to Carlisle, and in passing from Strathaven on the one side to Kirkmuirhill on the other it effects a saving of about two miles, compared with the main route through Stonehouse, and is almost in the direct line from Kilmarnock *via* Darvel and Strathaven to Lanark, although that part of the route lying beyond Kirkmuirhill, *i.e.*, between Kirkmuirhill and Lanark is far from being a satisfactory stretch of road. For a great part of its length it also forms the connection between Strathaven and Lesmahagow, and, in addition it carries a considerable amount of local traffic. The village of Sandford and numerous farms are dependent upon this road for their connection with Strathaven Railway Station.

The character of the road in the neighbourhood of Craigbridge forms rather a serious obstacle to traffic. Craigbridge lies between Strathaven and Sandford, about one mile from Strathaven Railway Station. The bridge over the Avon Water consists of two spans of 35 feet 6 inches each with a centre pier in the River. The width of the roadway is 16 feet, and the height of the roadway above the bed of the River is 18 feet. The bridge is in fair condition, but the approaches from either side of the bridge are very steep. There are within 200 yards of the bridge on the north-west side of the River gradients of 1 in 10½ and 1 in 13½, while about 380 yards and 630 yards distant there are rather sharp bends, the former being combined with a gradient of 1 in 11½. It is on the south-east side of the River, however, that the conditions are worst, and here, within a distance of 200 yards from the bridge there are gradients 1 in 8, 1 in 9, 1 in 10, and 1 in 11, these being combined with a particularly bad "S" bend and a road junction. This part of the road is extremely heavy for horse traffic, while for motor traffic it is a danger, in addition to being a very difficult hill. It is not uncommon for a loaded cart going south-east to drop half its load at Craigbridge and ascend the hill with half a load, returning for the remaining half load; and it is conceivable that horsed traffic, which can reach its destination by any other route, will take the alternative though longer route.

The following Tables show the worst gradients on the road on each side of the Bridge :—

1. TABLE SHOWING GRADIENTS ON THE NORTH-WEST SIDE OF CRAIGBRIDGE.

Distance from Centre of Bridge.		Length of Gradient.	Average Gradient.
End of Gradient nearest Bridge.	End of Gradient furthest from Bridge.		
Yards.	Yards.	Yards.	
40	120	80	1 in 16
120	180	60	1 „ 10½
180	220	40	1 „ 13½
220	287	67	1 „ 32
287	353	66	1 „ 16
353	420	67	1 „ 11½
420	453	33	1 „ 11

2. TABLE SHOWING GRADIENTS ON THE SOUTH-EAST SIDE OF CRAIGBRIDGE.

Distance from Centre of Bridge.		Length of Gradient.	Average Gradient.
End of Gradient nearest Bridge.	End of Gradient furthest from Bridge.		
Yards.	Yards.	Yards.	
47	80	33	1 in 14
80	113	33	1 „ 10
113	147	34	1 „ 9
147	202	55	1 „ 8
202	280	78	1 „ 11

We have surveyed two lines of Road Diversion by means of which these gradients and bends might be cut out. The first is the line pointed out to us by Mr. Watson on the 10th January last, when the Committee inspected this Road, and the second is one which takes rather a wider detour to the east.

I. Diversion No. I is shown in plan on Sheet No. 1, and in section on Sheet No. 2 of accompanying drawings. The road would cross the Avon Water at a point about 70 yards above the existing bridge, and at a height of 29 feet above the normal water-level. The approach to the bridge from the point of junction with the existing road on the north would be level, and on the south the gradients would be for about 40 yards 1 in 16, and for about 120 yards to the junction with the existing road again 1 in 15. The total length of this diversion would be about 320 yards, compared with the distance of 326 yards, measured along the centre of the existing road, between the ends of diversion. The bridge shown on Sheet No. 1 consists of a masonry arch spanning the River, which is here about 52 feet in width with a smaller balancing arch on either side, providing a passage from one side of the embankment to the other, and also lightening the bridge and improving the appearance.

The mill lade to the south of the bridge would have to be carried under the road in a culvert 25 yards long, which would be constructed of brickwork with concrete haunching. South of this again the farm road leading to Avonbank has to be carried under the roadway, and a small span bridge having wingwalls to support the embankment would be required and has been provided for in the estimate.

Where the diversion joins the existing road on the north side of the River, some improvement of the existing road would be possible by cutting away what appears as a bulge on the section and filling up nearer the River. This is indicated by the red tinted line on Sheet No. 2.

This diversion would cut out the worst turns and the worst gradients (those of 1 in 8, 1 in 9 and 1 in 10) on the road; but there would still remain two bad bends and gradients of 1 in 11, both north and south of the River. Another drawback to this scheme is the large amount of banking required (16,000 cubic yards) with practically no cutting from which it can be obtained. Material could probably be borrowed close at hand without difficulty, but the cost of banking would in that case be relatively high. For these reasons we surveyed another route, which is described hereafter.

II. Diversion No. II is also shown on the accompanying Sheets Nos. 1 and 2. Junction would be made with the existing road about 700 yards north-west, and about 250 yards south-east of Craigbridge, the road crossing the River about 350 yards above the existing bridge. The total length of the diversion would be about 1,200 yards, being about 700 yards north-west and about 500 yards south-east of the River. The distance between the ends of this diversion, measured along the centre of the existing road, is about 970 yards. So that the diversion would add 230 yards to the length of the road.

The gradients on this Diversion starting from the northern point of junction with the existing road would be as follows:—

Length of Gradient.	Fall.	Rise.	Gradient.
Yards.	Feet.	Feet.	
330	35	...	1 in 28
330	52	...	1 „ 19
320	...	...	Level
180	...	15·5	1 in 35
40	...	5·0	1 „ 23
1,200			

Near each end branch roads would be crossed, but no alteration in the levels of these roads would be required. The road would cross the River at a height of about 46 feet above water-level.

Two suggestions for the bridge are shown on Sheet No. 1. In the first the hollow is crossed by a series of masonry arches, five of these having spans of 47 feet, and two being of smaller span, that furthest to the south being required to allow of the passage of a small service road beneath the bridge. In the second the River is crossed by a single span of 75 feet, and the service road is bridged separately. A small saving is effected by reducing the number of arches, but it is questionable if this is sufficient to compensate for the loss in appearance. The width of the roadway allowed for is again 22 feet 6 inches.

This diversion would cut out all the bad bends and gradients in the neighbourhood of Craigbridge, the steepest gradient upon the diversion being 1 in 19, and the steepest gradient upon that part of the existing road which would remain in use being 1 in 17. All the banking required would be obtained from cuttings through which the road would pass, and the rate for this item would consequently be lower than in the other diversion proposed.

The details on Sheet No. 2 indicate the section of roadway which is proposed for the diversion, either No. I or No. II. The width of metal is 22 feet 6 inches compared with an average of 18 to 20 feet on the existing road. Handset bottoming 9 inches deep and 4 inches of metal have been allowed for, and also fencing, as shown on the cross sections.

Estimates.

Estimates are appended showing the costs of each scheme. In the case of Diversion No. II this is given for both types of bridge previously referred to. In addition, estimates have been obtained for reinforced concrete bridges for both diversions, and have been included along with the other estimates. Unfortunately the designs in reinforced concrete could not be worked out early enough for their inclusion with the other drawings; but a supplementary drawing has been appended, illustrating the proposed design for a reinforced concrete bridge for Diversion No. II. As we anticipated, this is much the most economical type of bridge to adopt. If exception should be taken to the appearance, this could be improved by the introduction of flat arches carrying the roadway from pier to pier with little increase in cost.

The estimates are based, as nearly as possible, on the present abnormally high prices, and in the event of these falling the estimates would be correspondingly reduced; but it has not been thought advisable to anticipate any such decrease for the purpose of this Report.

We are, GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servants,

WARREN & STUART,

MM.Inst.C.E.

PROPOSED ROAD DIVERSION AT CRAIGBRIDGE.

Estimates of Cost of Alternative Schemes.

DIVERSION No. I.

1. Cost of Diversion with two Masonry Bridges.

Cost of Land, including consequential damage, -	£200
Cost of Roadway and Culvert, - - - -	8,000
Cost of Bridges, - - - - - -	18,000
Total,	£26,200

2. Cost of Diversion with two Reinforced Concrete Bridges.

Cost of Land, including consequential damage, -	£200
Cost of Roadway and Culvert, - - - -	8,000
Cost of Bridges, - - - - - -	10,000
Total,	£18,200

DIVERSION No. II.

1. Cost of Diversion with one 7-span Masonry Bridge.

Cost of Land, including consequential damage, -	£850
Cost of Roadway, - - - - - -	14,000
Cost of Bridge, - - - - - - -	40,000
Total,	54,850

2. Cost of Diversion with two single-span Masonry Bridges.

Cost of Land including consequential damage, -	£850
Cost of Roadway, - - - - - -	14,000
Cost of Bridges, - - - - - -	38,000
Total,	52,850

3. Cost of Diversion with 7-span Reinforced Concrete Bridge.

Cost of Land, including consequential damage, -	£850
Cost of Roadway, - - - - - -	14,000
Cost of Bridge, - - - - - - -	21,000
Total,	35,850

APPENDIX III.

Copy of Communication from Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.

No. 3.

THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

94 HOPE STREET,
GLASGOW, 13*th March*, 1919.

GENTLEMEN,

PROPOSED LIGHT RAILWAY.

We have now completed a preliminary survey, and have investigated the possibilities of a light railway (*a*) from Strathaven, via Chapelton, East Kilbride, and Carmunnock, with (*b*) a branch or loop from Chapelton, via Eaglesham and Mearns, to Glasgow, as part of a reconstruction programme for the County of Lanark, and we beg leave to submit the following preliminary Report, which is accompanied by a Plan to the scale of 1 inch to the mile.

The heavy fall of snow since we received your instructions has considerably impeded our outside operations, and we trust the delay has not caused inconvenience.

We have laid down on the accompanying plan the lines of proposed railway, which appear to be the most necessary and useful for the service of the district under consideration, taking into account the contours of the country passed through. These two routes of railway follow, as nearly as practicable, the lines shown on the small-scale plan submitted to us, with two material exceptions, viz.:—(1) instead of carrying the railway line well into the city, where damage to property, direct or consequential, would be very heavy, we have shown the connection coming off the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, north-east of Aikenhead; and, (2) to obtain working gradients, we have discarded the proposed line on the Eaglesham Branch from Mearns down through Busby to Carmunnock, and have substituted a line connecting to the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway about 2½ furlongs west of Whitecraigs Station.

The Strathaven Line via Carmunnock, East Kilbride, and Chapelton, would leave the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway about half-way between the stations of Crosshill and Cathcart, and would run roughly parallel to the Aikenhead Road on a rising gradient to Carmunnock. Thence the line would pass fairly direct to East Kilbride, maintaining a more uniform level, and would follow the general direction of the East Kilbride-Strathaven Road to Strathaven, rising to a maximum height about 800 feet above Ordnance datum between Chapelton and Strathaven. The length of this line would be about 13⅝ miles.

The branch line via Eaglesham and Mearns would leave the other line near the village of Chapelton, as shown on the plan, and would traverse a good stretch of agricultural land, passing into Renfrewshire near the isolated village of Eaglesham. From Eaglesham it would run by way of Mearns to the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, between the stations of Whitecraigs and Patterton. The length of this branch would be about thirteen miles.

The nature of the country traversed varies considerably. Between the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, near Aikenhead and Carmunnock, there lies a potential residential district, acknowledged to be salubrious, and close to Glasgow, for which railway communication is the primary condition of development. Of Carmunnock itself and its surroundings, the same may be said. This part of the line passes through an area which may be described as the most attractive building ground within a radius of five miles from the centre of the city. With a good railway service, Carmunnock could be reached within twenty minutes from Central Station, and a considerable passenger traffic could be anticipated. Cartage to and from Carmunnock is very heavy, on account of the gradients, either from the Cathcart side or from the Busby side, and for the carriage of milk and other farm produce and fertilisers this stretch of railway would be a great convenience.

For the remainder of the distance to Strathaven the country is more purely agricultural. Between East Kilbride and Strathaven, a distance of 7⅝ miles, there is stretch of country badly served by rail, which might be expected to yield considerable agricultural traffic. This line, however, would also provide a route much more direct than those at present available between Strathaven and Glasgow, and in addition there is a possibility of the development of coal mining north-west and south-east of East Kilbride.

The branch from Chapelton via Eaglesham traverses excellent agricultural land, and passes the villages of Eaglesham and Mearns, both of which are at present without communication of any kind, except a bus service, and would be likely to provide considerable passenger traffic. Since railway facilities were provided at Whitecraigs and Giffnock on the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire line, very considerable building development has taken place there, and there is good reason to anticipate an equally vigorous development at Mearns and Eaglesham, if good railway communication were made available. Both places are, on a limited scale, even now favourite resorts for Glasgow people, notwithstanding the want of travelling facilities.

It will be noted that for a distance of $7\frac{3}{8}$ miles the Eaglesham branch passes through the County of Renfrew, and any representation to the Ministry of Reconstruction in favour of the branch line would, we presume, be a joint representation by the two County Authorities.

In addition to the traffic which would at once be available for the proposed railway, the railways themselves would, with proper management, create traffic, and cause development which would be of benefit both to the revenue of the railway and the districts traversed, apart from the broader question of national interest.

The neighbourhood of Carmunnock has already been mentioned as a potential residential district. Development of a similar kind might be induced elsewhere, especially where there is a nucleus already. It is probable, however, that the most valuable benefit resulting from railway communication would be that of a productive nature, accruing from the development of agriculture. In this connection Mr. Begg, Veterinary Surgeon to the County, has agreed to furnish for your information some data respecting the farms in Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire which would be likely to make use of the branch from Chapelton *via* Eaglesham, and according to his view, which is founded on an intimate knowledge of agricultural interests in the district, the development which may be expected from providing railway facilities is considerable. It is estimated that an easier and cheaper supply of fertilisers, and a more rapid and cheaper means of marketing farm produce, particularly milk, might cause an increase in the output of many of the farms within a two-mile limit of nearly 100 per cent.

We do not think it is anticipated that in the early life of a scheme of this kind interest charges and working cost would be entirely met, whatever the results might be after the railway had time to develop a traffic of its own; but, even so, the relation of transport to agriculture is now acknowledged to be so important as a factor in increased production, that the indirect results would alone go a long way to justify the expenditure. In this connection it may be mentioned that between Strathaven and Eaglesham there is scope for a considerable amount of land reclamation.

While we have speculated to some extent on the development of passenger traffic on both the proposed lines, we suggest that it is more as an important element in the encouragement of increased production that the projected railway lines should be considered.

From an engineering point of view the line is quite feasible. On the sharp rise from the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway the chief difficulties would be met. Here heavy banking and cutting would be required in order to obtain reasonable gradients, and construction would be relatively costly. A short length of tunnel east of Carnbooth, extending to about 200 yards, cannot be avoided owing to the undulating character of the ground. On the other hand it is from this stretch of proposed line that the principal passenger traffic would be developed.

From Carmunnock to East Kilbride there would be less serious difficulties, necessitating less expensive banking and cutting; and for the remainder of the distance to Strathaven construction would be comparatively easy.

The other branch from Chapelton leading into Renfrewshire would also traverse easy going ground, and except on a few inconsiderable sections, construction would be of the simplest kind.

We have allowed for a single line of rail throughout the length of both railways. The only part of the line where there was room for doubt on this question was north of Carmunnock, but taking into account that the total length of the line to Strathaven is only 13$\frac{5}{8}$ miles, and that the branch line via Eaglesham does not exceed 13 miles, we are satisfied that an adequate service can be maintained on a single line. It would be sounder economy, in any case, to postpone doubling the line or any part of it, until the necessity had arisen.

A single line of railway has accordingly been adopted throughout, and, except where the proposed lines cross main roads, level crossings have been adopted, on the assumption that the Light Railways Act would be taken advantage of.

We have not specially considered the proposal either in the light of the Railways Clauses Acts or the Light Railways Act, but have assumed rather that the provisions of both are more or less in the melting pot, and that the Minister of Ways and Communications would be placed in a position to give special facilities for carrying through a project of this kind, provided justification was proved to his satisfaction.

If this were not so, the opposition of the Caledonian Railway Company to that part of the line to East Kilbride and Strathaven would be very formidable on the ground of competition. If they elected to oppose an application under the Light Railways Act their attitude would be fortified by the provisions of Section 9 (3) of the Act, which makes it clear that the Board of Trade are not likely to confirm an Order where competition is proved. The alternative then is to proceed by Provisional Order or Private Bill under the Railways Clauses Acts. But, in this case, an alternative course would be to promote as a light railway the length of the proposed railway to Carmunnock and the branch line via Eaglesham and Mearns in the first instance, leaving the extension to East Kilbride and Strathaven for future consideration.

In the matter of construction there is no essential difference between an ordinary standard-gauge railway and a light railway. There are several light railways in Scotland, including the Lanarkshire line to Leadhills, but so far as we are aware these are all standard-gauge lines. The main difference is statutory, depending upon the procedure followed in obtaining the necessary statutory powers, and, in the event of the powers being obtained under the Light Railways Act, the rigid Board of Trade conditions, which apply to railways promoted by Provisional Order or Private Bill, are modified in some important respects.

The question of a standard gauge versus a narrow gauge is likely to arise, and it will be maintained that the saving in cost of the latter as compared with the former would alone justify the adoption of the narrow gauge. This contention may be fortified by the suggestion which has been made that a large quantity of metre-gauge line now in France is to be made available for development purposes. For this reason the difference in cost in favour of the narrow gauge may be greater than we have reckoned

on; but our view is that in this particular part of Lanarkshire where access to the city is comparatively easy, and where you have already standard-gauge lines with which connection can be effected, the success of the undertaking would be more assured by adopting the standard gauge.

The adoption of standard gauge simplifies the question of rolling stock, and gets over the difficulty of transhipment from one gauge to the other and the terminal delays arising from transhipment.

In determining the line of railway and in estimating the amount of cutting and banking required, a limiting gradient of 2 per cent. or 1 in 50 and a limiting curve of 20 chains radius have been adopted. These grades and curves would not greatly burden the locomotives, and practically no reduction of speed would be required in order to negotiate the curves. For permanent way we have allowed in our estimate rails of 75 lbs. per yard, of ordinary bull-headed section, resting in cast-iron chairs of about 35 lbs., which would be fastened to wooden sleepers of standard size by means of dog spikes. Ballasting has been allowed for to a depth of 1 foot below the sleepers.

On a railway largely devoted to agricultural traffic we think it important that special facilities should be offered for loading and unloading goods at frequent intervals along the line. In addition to combined passenger and goods stations of a simple nature at the junction with the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire line at Aikenhead and at Carmunnock, East Kilbride, Chapelton, Strathaven, Eaglesham, and Mearns, we have accordingly allowed for loading-banks and short sidings at intervals of about 2 miles. By this means the cartage of farm produce and fertilisers would be reduced to a minimum.

Due allowance has been made in the estimates for accommodation works, for all bridges over roads or streams, and bridges carrying the roads over the railway and for level-crossings. Fencing, both at stations and alongside the line, has also been allowed for, and passing-places to the extent of 200 yards per mile.

Junction is shown at the two places described with the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway in order to obtain connection with the centre of the city. There is no physical difficulty in this. We have kept in view that a steep falling gradient towards the junctions with the existing main line must be avoided.

A note of the estimated cost of various parts of the work is appended. The cost of the single line to Carmunnock would be £93,610, and the cost of the remaining line, estimated at £15,900 per mile, would be £167,120 to Strathaven. The estimated cost of the branch line via Eaglesham is £186,470, being a rate of £14,350 per mile.

Our estimates are based upon current rates, which, we think, will be about their maximum at present; but we are not disposed to speculate on the period which may elapse before a modification of these rates takes place.

If the terms of the Report by Mr. Leslie Scott's Committee result in legislation we anticipate that land could be acquired on favourable terms, especially if the principle of betterment recommended by that Committee is adopted. Intersectional and consequential damages cannot, however, be avoided, and at this stage we have thought it advisable to allow a fairly liberal rate for land.

In preparing our estimate of cost we have assumed that steam would be the motive power. There is very good reason to believe that electric power will in future be generated and distributed on a much greater scale than at present, and we have little doubt, that sooner, or later, the great majority of railways, as well as other industries, will be forced to adopt electric motive power. That is foreshadowed in the Reports on Electric Power Supply by the Coal Conservation Sub-Committee; but the powers and programme of the Minister of Ways and Communications are not yet sufficiently advanced to enable us to deal with the possibilities of electric motive power. We can only say that it would be a great convenience to have current distributed throughout this district by means of the proposed railway, and electric power would, we believe, be a more convenient form of power, especially adapted to that part of the line up to Carmunnock, than steam traction would be.

We are, GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servants,

WARREN & STUART,
MM. Inst. C.E.

Note.—We find that we have omitted to note that, for a distance of $1\frac{1}{8}$ mile from its junction with the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, the line to Carmunnock lies within the County of Renfrew.

PROPOSED LIGHT RAILWAY.

ESTIMATE OF COST.

1. *From the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, near Aikenhead House to Carmunnock*—$3\frac{1}{8}$ *miles.*

Permanent Way,	£18,750	
Earthwork, including Rockcutting,	42,000	
Tunnelling,	12,000	
Bridges and Culverts,	14,000	
Fencing,	1,560	
Stations,	2,500	
Land,	2,800	
Total ($3\frac{1}{8}$ miles at £30,000),		£93,610

2. *From Carmunnock to Strathaven*—$10\frac{1}{2}$ *miles.*

Permanent Way,	£63,000	
Earthwork, including Rockcutting,	63,000	
Bridges, Culverts, and Level-Crossings,	25,000	
Fencings,	4,620	
Stations and Loading-Banks,	4,000	
Land,	7,500	
Total ($10\frac{1}{2}$ miles at £15,900),		167,120

3. *From Chapelton to the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway, near Whitecraigs*—13 *miles.*

Permanent Way,	£78,000	
Earthwork, including Rock cutting,	68,750	
Bridges, Culverts, and Level-Crossings,	22,000	
Fencing,	5,720	
Stations and Loading Banks,	4,000	
Land,	8,000	
Total (13 miles at £14,350,		186,470
Grand Total,		£447,200

Note.—These figures are based on current prices, and provide for a single line, with frequent passing-places and loading-banks, of standard gauge, the weight of the rails being 75 lbs. per yard.

APPENDIX IV.

Copy of Communication from Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E., to Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E., with reference to Canalisation of River Clyde.

Colonel Sir Robert King Stewart, K.B.E.,
Convener of the County of Lanark,
Murdostoun Castle,
By Newmains,
Lanarkshire.

94 Hope Street,
Glasgow, 17th January, 1919.

Dear Sir Robert,

RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT.

Referring to Mr. Warren's conversation with you at Strathaven last Friday, we have given some consideration of a general kind to the proposal to canalise the Clyde for some distance above the Harbour and extending into Lanarkshire, say as far as Motherwell, a distance of about ten miles from the Glasgow City Boundary. We take it that it would be a *sine qua non* of the scheme that it should connect at its lower end with the Harbour, so that the canal barges could get into direct contact with shipping, and so avoid the duplication of transhipment.

It is at once manifest that much can be said for the proposal, whatever criticism may be directed against it. You have the watercourse partially made, and you have an ample water supply, and these are two of the fundamental factors.

The River channel traverses a highly industrialised area, which, although well served with railways, would, no doubt, provide some products, which could more easily reach their destination by water than by rail.

The financial soundness of the scheme would depend upon (*a*) the extent to which the proposed canal would attract traffic which at present goes by rail, and (*b*) the extent to which it would encourage new industries which would create and develop additional traffic. The indirect advantage of this latter consideration should also be taken into account, although it would not assist the profit and loss account.

The scheme is quite a practicable one, and we should not anticipate engineering difficulties of any exceptional kind. Structural works, such as locks, would have to be protected against subsidence from mineral workings, and that would probably involve the purchase of stoops of coal. Our recollection is that a considerable stretch of River bed is in rock, but that is not a disadvantage.

We have not a longitudinal section of the River, and cannot say how many locks would be required; but the given depth of water would be maintained partly by raising the water level by interposing locks where required, and partly by deepening the natural channel of the River between the locks. At one or two places the course of the River would have to be straightened.

Below Tollcross the City of Glasgow has a riparian interest on the north side of the River, and on the south side the Burgh of Rutherglen comes in below Dalmarnock Bridge, and it would be a matter of consideration how far those two Authorities should be consulted.

If the proposal is to materialise it is apparently a question for joint action.

While the scheme would involve a large capital expenditure, we do not think the cost would be excessive as such schemes go. Had it been carried out fifty years ago, before the numerous and extensive public works of Mid-Lanark had become fully equipped with railway sidings, it would, we believe, have proved a financial success. It would, at least, have had a much better chance of becoming established on a sound financial basis.

It may be kept in view that a good deal of concern has been exhibited by the Clyde Navigation Trustees and the Glasgow Corporation at the frequent subsidences that are taking place on both banks of the River from the Broomielaw downwards, and in two or three places the old quay walls have collapsed. This development, which has been going on for some years, and has latterly become more accentuated, is due to the deepening of the River bed through the Harbour and the lowering of low-water level.

It has resulted in a proposal which has been before the Clyde Trustees, to erect a series of locks somewhere on the lower reaches of the River, for the purpose of holding up the water-level to high

water, or somewhere near it. Although this proposal has been turned down for the present, it may be revived again, and if so, it has some bearing on the County proposal to canalise the River further up.

Unfortunately serious limitations would be imposed on the Canal traffic by the highway and railway bridges over the River. The raising and alteration of these Bridges, not only within the County of Lanark, but within the City area, could hardly be contemplated, and yet that would be the only course open to you if these limitations were to be removed. Within the County area these limitations of clearance at the bridges would be accentuated by the raising of the water-level due to the necessary introduction of locks. We have not a note of the waterways of all the bridges which would be affected; but within the City area there are several which would limit to small dimensions the size of the craft that could trade.

Then the Weir at Glasgow Green would have to be removed or replaced by locks. That might open up rather serious questions as to the effect on the Harbour.

We have endeavoured to focus the pros and cons of the County Scheme in a brief, and we fear, very superficial way; but our views may, with the further assistance of the County officials, assist you in determining whether the proposed scheme justifies a preliminary investigation. It seems to us you cannot get very far without such an investigation dealing (*a*) with the probable cost and (*b*) the probable revenue; and, if it is decided that the scheme does justify a preliminary investigation, it will be a matter for consideration whether it should be made on behalf of the County, or whether it should be a joint enquiry by the two Authorities, viz., the County and Glasgow and, possibly, Rutherglen.

Yours faithfully,

WARREN & STUART,
MM.Inst.C.E.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 30th April, 1919, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 30th April, 1919.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	Rev. George Goodfellow.
William Barr.	Capt. Hamilton Houldsworth.
James Cameron.	W. K. Jackson.
William Davie.	Alexander A. Keith.
Walter C. B. Christie.	James Kelly.
William Gardner.	Capt. Watt.

William Wilson.

In the absence of Sir Robert King Stewart, Chairman of the Board, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Christie was appointed chairman of the meeting. Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 8th January, 1919, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted communications from the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees, containing the proposals of the respective District Committees with regard to the strengthening and resurfacing of roads, which were as follows, viz.:— Proposals of Upper and Lower Ward District Committees with regard to the strengthening and resurfacing of roads.

UPPER WARD.

Square whin setts, laid on a 4-inch concrete bottom, grouted with bitumen in substitution for the macadam on portions of the following highways, viz.:—

(1) Kirkintilloch Road, between Glasgow Boundary and Bishopbriggs—probable cost, ...	£4,750	0	0
(2) Possil Road, between Glasgow Boundary and and Lambhill—probable cost, ...	3,850	0	0
(3) Cambuslang Road, between Farme Cross and Eastfield—probable cost, ...	4,500	0	0
(4) Shettleston Road, between the entrance to Sandyhills Farm Steading and the east end of Sandyhills—probable cost, ...	1,750	0	0
The east side of Kirkintilloch Road to be widened from a point opposite the Fire Brigade Station southwards to opposite Quarry Road—probable cost, ...	430	0	0

LOWER WARD.

1. *Tar-Macadam Work.*

From Bracklin Bridge, near Cartland Village, to boundary of Burgh of Lanark—			
Strengthening existing highway, ...	£1,148	2	9
Surfacing existing width of carriageway, ...	2,941	18	9
Lesmahagow Village, &c.—			
Strengthening roadway, ...	100	0	0
Surfacing existing width of carriageway, ...	1,179	1	0
Station Road, Carluke—			
Strengthening roadway, ...	75	6	0
Surfacing existing width of carriageway, ...	520	14	3
	£5,965	2	9

2. *Tar Spraying.*

Tar spraying same area as hitherto treated, less Lesmahagow Village and Carluke Station Road, ...	£2,884	6	0½

Abstract.

Tar-Macadam Work, ...	£5,965	2	9
Tar Spraying Work, ...	2,884	6	0½
	£8,849	8	9½

The Clerk stated that the Lower Ward District Committee had also been in communication with the Caledonian Railway Company, with the object of ascertaining whether the Company would be prepared to make a contribution towards the cost of rebuilding certain bridges over the Forth and Clyde and the Monkland Canals, with a view to making them more suitable for modern traffic, but that the Company had replied that they did not see their way to agree to make a contribution. In these circumstances the reconstruction of the bridges in question could not meantime be undertaken.

Clerk instructed to communicate again with Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

In the absence of detailed information from the Middle Ward District Committee in regard to proposals relating to that district, the meeting instructed the Clerk to communicate again with the Clerk to that committee on the subject.

Road Improvements.—Middle Ward.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, the meeting approved of the following road improvements, viz.:—

(1) The widening and improvement of road in front of Rosebank U.F. Church, Main Street, Cambuslang—£77 10s.

(2) The construction of a new highway between the housing feu at Wellshot and the Glasgow Road, Cambuslang—£600.

Report of Departmental Committee regarding road locomotives and heavy motor cars in Great Britain.

The Clerk submitted a Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Local Government Board to consider the law and regulations relating to the construction and use of road locomotives and heavy motor cars in Great Britain.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that he had given evidence before the committee on behalf of the Association of County Councils on 22nd July, 1915, and he was glad to be able to state that the Report gave effect, practically, to all the suggestions which had been submitted by him.

Motor Car Registration and Licensing (Scotland) Order.—Revision of fee for trader's licence.

The Clerk having submitted information regarding fees payable to this and other Local Authorities in respect of traders' licences under the Motor Car Registration and Licensing (Scotland) Order, 1903, the meeting, after consideration, agreed to increase the fee payable for such licences from 30s. to £3.

Letter from Automobile Association and Motor Union relating to rules to be observed by motorists.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Automobile Association and Motor Union, transmitting copy of a leaflet containing rules to be observed by motorists on the public highways, and asking this Local Authority to enclose a copy of the rules with each driver's licence issued during the next twelve months. The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way to issue the leaflet in the terms in which it was framed, but instructed the Clerk to write to the Secretary of the Union to ascertain whether they would be willing to alter the terms of the leaflet so as to conform to the views of the Board.

Communication from the National Equine Defence League.

There having been submitted a communication from the National Equine Defence League, of date 11th February, 1919, directing attention to the necessity for special consideration being given to the needs of horses in the proposed reconstruction of the roads in this country, the meeting agreed to delay consideration of the matter.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 30th April, 1919, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 30th April. 1919.

Present—

James Cameron.	John P. Kinghorn.
Walter C. B. Christie.	A. D. Mack.
Capt. Hamilton Houldsworth.	David Thomson.

Mr. Thomson was appointed Chairman of the meeting. Chairman

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. Notice calling meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th February, 1919, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted the following applications for exemption under the War Charities Act, viz.:— War Charities Act.—Applications for exemption.

Lesmahagow Recognition to Soldiers' Committee.

Scottish Federation of Discharged and Demobilised Sailors and Soldiers (Blantyre Branch).

Sacred Concert in aid of St. Vincent Institution, Tollcross.

The meeting, having considered the applications above referred to, agreed to grant exemption in each case.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of the last meeting of the committee, he had granted renewals of licences under the Cinematograph Act, in the following cases, viz.:— Cinematograph Act. — Renewal of licenses.

Name and Address of Licensee.	Situation of Licensed Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
Messrs. S. Johnson & Sons, World's Fair, Oldham	Movable structure	21st February, 1920.
Alexander R. Finlayson, Shields Glen Tea Rooms. Motherwell, and Adam Smith, 18 Enfield Place, Burnbank, Hamilton	Old School. Old School Road. Newmains	1st March, 1920.
James Clark, 27 Heathfield, Chryston	Oakbank, Muirhead	1st March, 1920.
James Manuel, 38 Calder Place, Bothwell	Bothwell Haugh Hall, Bothwell	15th April, 1920.
Messrs. W. & J. Lewis, 136 Paton Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow	The Rink Picture Palace, Cambuslang	20th April, 1920.
Messrs. A. & J. Macdonald, West End, Baillieston	Pavilion Picture House, Baillieston	26th April, 1920.
Hugh M'Gowan Hood, 6 Annandale Street, Govanhill, Glasgow	Public Hall, Maxwell Street, East Kilbride	28th April, 1920.

Cambuslang Closing Order. — Letter from Secretary to Merchants' Association.

Under reference to the minutes of previous meetings of the Committee, the Clerk submitted a further letter from the Secretary to the Cambuslang Merchants' Association, dated 14th March, 1919, requesting that the County Council should now take the necessary steps to have the Closing Order amended so far as regards the closing hour for the business of Draper. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Secretary of the Cambuslang Merchants' Association, suggesting that that Association might consider whether a thorough revision of the existing Order might now be made.

Communication from Secretary to Blantyre Merchants' Association with regard to Closing Order for Blantyre.

There was submitted a letter from the Secretary to the Blantyre Merchants' Association, of date 21st April, 1919, making application for a Closing Order for the Blantyre District. The Clerk stated that as the communication did not disclose (1) the trades or businesses proposed to be included within the scope of the Order, and (2) the particular area proposed to be covered by the Order, he had written to the Secretary of the Association for this information, but had not yet received a reply. The meeting agreed to continue consideration of the matter.

Telephone facilities for Chapelton and Glassford. — Communication from Clerk to Glasford Parish Council.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Parish Council of Glasford, of date 4th April, 1919, relating to the need of telephone facilities for the villages of Chapelton and Glasford. The Clerk reminded the meeting that some years ago the County Council had made representations to the Postmaster-General for the provision of further facilities in certain districts of the County, including the villages of Chapelton and Glasford, but that at that time the Postmaster did not see his way to accede to the request. The meeting, after consideration, considered that the time was now opportune for making a further representation on the subject, and instructed accordingly.

Proposed new polling district at Mount Vernon. — Communication from Carmyle Ratepayers' Association.

The Clerk having submitted a communication from the Secretary to the Carmyle Ratepayers' Association, of date 17th April, 1919, intimating that a

petition had been lodged with the Sheriff of the County for a new polling district at Mount Vernon for the convenience of electors from Fullerton, Mount Vernon, and Carmyle districts, and asking the Council to support their petition, the meeting, on the understanding that it was intended to adopt for Parliamentary Elections the arrangements existing in the Mount Vernon district for County Council Elections, agreed to support the proposal, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Bellshill Post Office.—Communication from General Post Office, London.

Under reference to the minutes of this committee, of date 8th January, 1919, regarding the inadequacy of the existing buildings at Bellshill for the purpose of a post office, the Clerk submitted a communication from the General Post Office, London, of date 10th March, 1919, stating that the congestion of the public office arising from the present abnormal conditions had been relieved by the diversion of certain classes of business to another part of the building.

Special permits.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had granted special permits under the Band Bye-laws in the following cases, viz.:—

Auchenairn Brass Band, Bishopbriggs (per Wm. Johnstone, 104 Main Street, Bishopbriggs)—Applicable for twelve months within the Parish of Cadder.

Dalziel Highland Pipe Band (per T. M. Macfarlane, 29 Dräffan Street, Motherwell)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Coalburn Rechabite Pipe and Drum Band (per William Steel, Sunnybrae Cottage, Coalburn)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

St. Vincent Boys' Guild Brass Band, Mossend (per John M'Guire, Reform Place, Chapel Street, Mossend)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Larkhall Town Band, Larkhall (per James S. M'Ghie, Miller Street, Larkhall)—Applicable for six months within the Parish of Dalserf.

Coltness Works Silver Band (per Robert Anderson, 22 Leslie Place, Newmains)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Shotts Caledonian Pipe Band (per Wm. Logan, 11 Alexandra Place, Dykehead)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Douglas Water and District Pipe Band (per James C. Welsh, Liberty Cottage, Douglas Water)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Hamilton Palace Colliery Silver Band (per James Manuel, Secretary, Hamilton Palace Colliery)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Cleland Prize Silver Band (per John Thomson, 16 Main Street, Cleland)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Coatbridge Prize Pipe Band (per Wm. Young, 97c Sunnyside Road, Coatbridge)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

Bothwell District Pipe Band (per Geo. Fleming, Langside Road, Bothwell)—Applicable for six months within the County of Lanark.

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